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Convention Theme: "Praise Him"

MINUTES OF CONVENTION

TUESDAY EVENING,

Mrs. H. H. McConnell, First Vice-President, presided at the opening meeting, held in Brown Chapel on the beautiful campus of Muskingum College.

Following an organ prelude, Bach's "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word" presented by Mr. Wilbur Schnitker, of the Conservatory of Music, and organist for all evening programs of the Convention, the congregation joined in singing the Doxology. Dr. Robert N. Montgomery, President of the College, offered the Invocation Prayer.

Mrs. Henry S. Evans, Second Vice-President, read the Worship Service that had been prepared by Mrs. John P. White, temporarily detained. Mrs. White's challenging message, entitled "Without Me . . . Nothing" was based on various Scripture passages that stress "His Allness and our Nothingness". Christ, our King, is also our suffering Savior. Those who belong to Christ know that the secret of being fruit-bearing Christians is to abide in Him. He has done much for us. What can we do for Him? How anxious are we to tell the whole world of Christ's love?

Mrs. Thomas F. Baker, President, declared the Sixty-first Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society to be in session.

Mrs. C. M. Laing, President of Muskingum Presbyterial, extended a gracious and cordial welcome. Paraphrasing the words of Paul, she said, "We of Muskingum Presbyterial salute you and wish you grace and peace". Peace had just come, following World War I, when Muskingum Presbyterial had last entertained the Convention twenty-five years ago. Although impossible to offer a real peace-greeting tonight when we are in the midst of World War II, Christians still have reason to say, "Praise Him".

On behalf of Monongahela Presbyterial, Vice-President McConnell presented an orchid to Mrs. J. D. Sands, President of the Board of Directors. Mrs. Sands responded to Mrs. Laing's welcome. In her remarks she also referred to the Convention of twenty-five years ago, and to memories that came to her, mentioning that the President on that occasion had been Mrs. O. H. Milligan, our present Thank-offering Secretary. In the years between, our General Missionary Society has grown in finances, in membership, in number of missionaries, and in interest.

The Summer-School Choir, led by Prof. Milton Rehg, sang the anthem, "O Savior of the World" by Pears.

Using an original poem, Mrs. McConnell introduced Mrs. Thomas F. Baker, for her President's message, "A Goodly Heritage is Ours". The words of the poem:

I have a gift for you tonight,
A friend of mine so tried and true;
I know she always does her part
With a patient, understanding heart—
She is wise, congenial, loyal, kind,
Unselfish, constant, and refined.
Heartaches are light and quickly gone
When I have her to lean upon.
This forthright friend so tried and true
I've come tonight to share with you.

Mrs. Baker introduced the Convention theme "Praise Him" (Psalm 117) by calling it a Psalm of Praise which reveals in a brief but conclusive manner, God's merciful kindness to us in the past and today, and assures us that the truth of the Lord endureth forever. God's merciful kindness to us as a nation was traced through the history of our country, predestined to be the seat of a Christian nation. Our fathers had freedom to worship God, making His Word their law. They passed on to us by word and deeds their faith and belief—a goodly heritage. We of today are aware of our responsibility of passing on, uncompromised and unqualified, the faith and trust which we have had instilled into us. It is a sobering thought to realize that God has chosen us, His followers, as channels for His work. We praise Him that there is in us a response to His command to be witnesses for Him. Bought with a great price—the blood of Jesus Christ—we have been saved to serve. Today spiritual apathy, indifference, apostasy and national disobedience might make us almost despair, were we not confident that God has given America a place of leadership for the enthronement of righteousness. Our boys are making the supreme sacrifice to keep our land free—with freedom to worship God. "Shall we not do our part to justify such a sacrifice? Shall we not be true Witnesses, passing on our heritage to future generations?"

The Choir presented the anthem, "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" (Bach). Dr. Henry S. Evans, pastor of the New Concord United Presbyterian Church, gave the Prayer and Benediction.

The Organ Postlude, Guilmant's "Choral in G" marked the close of the formal service of worship and praise, followed immediately by an informal reception in the lounge, given by the Local Committee. The Women's Board of Directors, Foreign and Home Missionaries, the Convention Officers, the Magazine Staff, and the Local Committee were presented. Music during this happy informal hour was furnished by the following talent: String Ensemble, directed by William W. Gray; Vocal Solo, "Friend O' Mine" by John Campbell, accompanied by Joan Montgomery; Vocal Trio, "Within a Dreaming Harbor" by Jane Castor, Eileen McCleery and Dorothy Slater, accompanied by Mrs. John Glenn. Refreshments were served, after which delegates and visitors "climbed the hill" to the dormitory, or went to various Convention homes provided for them by the Local Committee.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The opening Prelude, "Vision" by Rheinberger, was played by Mrs. John Glenn who presided at the organ for each morning service.

In her Morning Meditation, "Praise Him for His Keeping Power," Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery, co-chairman of the Local Committee, read the 91st Psalm, often called *The Traveler's Psalm.* In her appropriate remarks she told about a friend who had the beautiful custom of always putting money in her missionary box after she had returned from a journey, as a thank-you to God for His keeping power. Let us praise and thank God for His daily care. She quoted the poem, "The Bridge Builder," offered prayer, and called for the song "Overshadowing Protection" (Psalter Hymnal 169).

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Program as printed, subject to a few necessary changes, was adopted.

Mrs. W. T. Campbell, chairman of the Credential Committee, gave a brief but necessarily incomplete report. Registrations, not including Life Members and Life Directors and Visitors, had reached the total of 184.

President Baker appointed the following committees:

Credential

Mrs. W. T. Campbell, Allegheny, Chairman.
Mrs. Henry G. Dietz, Puget Sound.
Mrs. Murray Osborn, Detroit, Treasurer.
Mrs. Russell Tait, Beaver Valley.
Mrs. Cora Hanlon, Arkansas Valley.
Mrs. Robert Allen, Monongahela.
Mrs. Walter S. Falk, Philadelphia.

Recommendations

Mrs. Thomas Sarver, Wheeling, Chairman.
Miss Jane Smith, Missionary (Egypt).
Mrs. R. W. Caldwell, Philadelphia.
Mrs. W. H. Dickey, Southern Illinois.
Mrs. Scott Withrow, Cleveland.

Nominations

Miss Grace Schattgen, Southern Illinois, Chairman.
Mrs. A. H. Unke, Wisconsin.
Mrs. Glenn Blayney, Chartiers.
Miss Evelyn Hay, Lake.
Mrs. J. C. Snyder, Monongahela.

Tellers

Mrs. Harold Sittig, Cleveland, Chairman.
Miss Elizabeth Maxwell, Albany.
Miss Gladys Groves, Colorado.
Mrs. Norman G. Webster, Kiskiminetas.
Mrs. Clarence Hoagland, Mercer.
Miss Gwendolyn Keating, Monmouth.
Miss Marian Repschlager, Caledonia.

Place

Mrs. W. M. Hay, Monmouth, Chairman.
Mrs. Howard Jamieson, First Ohio.
Mrs. R. W. Huddle, College Springs

Memorials

Mrs. Robert French, Butler, Chairman.
Mrs. James Jolly, Los Angeles.
Mrs. A. L. Yarnelle, Boston.

Auditing of Minutes

Mrs. F. G. Wright, Westmoreland, Chairman.
Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Women's Board of Directors.
Mrs. Alice Currier, Vermont.

Annual Reports by the following Secretaries were presented under the caption, "Praise Him for Past Achievements":

Recording Secretary of the Board of Directors—Miss Edith L. McBane (Page 649).

Women's Secretary (*Including Statistical and Efficiency*) — Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison (Page 650). In giving her awards Mrs. Hutchison said that 25 Societies had attained 100 per cent according to the Standard of Efficiency and that 31 Societies were above 95 per cent. 16 Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for having a Senior or Young Women's Missionary Society in each Church, reporting on time. Silver cups, awarded to Presbyterials having the largest percentage of increase in membership, went to Los Angeles Presbyterial for Class A, and to Wisconsin for Class B. Idaho Presbyterial, with the highest Efficiency rating (83 per cent) received the Banner and 1944 Ribbon.

Literature Secretary—Report read by Mrs. Charles B. Warren, in the absence of Mrs. A. J. Randles. (Page 666)

Temperance and Reform Secretary—Mrs. Charles B. Warren (Page 675)

Parsonage Secretary—Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch (Page 655)

Financial Secretary—Mrs. Arthur B. McBride (Page 653)

Testamentary and Annuity Secretary — Mrs. Samuel E. Baird (Page 660)

Inasmuch as the first four reports carried no recommendations they were declared acceptable and ready to be filed.

A composite audit certificate from Main and Company, Accountants and Auditors, for all Board Members who handle finances was read and adopted, carrying with it the adoption of the remaining three reports, and also the report of the Treasurer and of the finances of the Junior Missionary Magazine, to be given later.

A vocal duet "I, Waited for the Lord" (Mendelssohn) was presented by Eileen and Dorothy McCleery.

Using as her theme, "Praise Him for Abundant Fields for Service White," Mrs. J. D. Sands gave helpful background information about our Ethiopian Mission and our India Mission. Both fields need doctors, nurses and teachers.

Miss Vivian Trimble, representing India, told about her work in villages and of house to house visitation. She mentioned especially the consecrated work of her Indian helpers, Ferozah and Sardaran.

The Convention Song, Psalm 117 (Bible Songs Hymnal 126) was introduced.

Treasurer's Report — Mrs. Samuel E. Baird (Page 657)

Mrs. Duncan Henry led the first of her Quiet Hours on "Prayer." She read verses from Psalms which admonish us to wait on the Lord: Psalms 27:14, 31:15, 37:34; 40:1. She wove into her devotional message incidents in the life of the evangelist Gidada, from his childhood as a blind beggar, through the years of his growing Christian experiences, to the more recent days of the Italian Invasion and Occupation which found Gidada witnessing with beautiful Christian grace and power. Mrs. Henry called for prayer for our government, for leaders in our armed forces, for our boys in service around the world, and for native Christians in our mission lands. Various members of the Convention led in audible prayers, closed by Mrs. Henry with the petition that God open the eyes of all women in America to the needs of the day in which we are living.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Henry S. Evans, Second Vice-President, presiding

"My Heart is Filled with Longing" (Bach) was the Prelude presented by Mrs. Katherine Schnitker, organist for each afternoon session.

The Convention united in singing "Great Shepherd" (Psalter Hymnal 149).

In her Meditation "Praise Him for Youth," Mrs. Catherine H. Lamb, taking the place of Miss Laura Thompson, said that we should thank God and take courage as we look at the Junior Groups, Sabbath School, Young People's Society, Teen-Age Groups, and that we should resolve to bear true witness that our heritage may be passed on to them. But as we praise God for youth safe in His fold, we remember with penitence the ever-increasing wave of juvenile delinquency—the youth in peril because of adult delinquency and indifference.

Greetings from the Women's Society of Christian Service, local Methodist Church, were extended by Mrs. Lloyd C. Handchy. In presenting a lovely basket of roses, she said, "From the W.S.C.S. to the W.G.M.S." Mrs. Baker graciously thanked her for the greetings and flowers.

"Praise Him for our Junior Ambassadors" included reports from the *Junior Secretary* (Page 671) and the *Financial Report of the Junior Missionary Magazine* (Page 669), read by Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen. Mrs. Paul M. Haas was absent because of illness.

Mrs. Heagen then presented her own *Editor's Report* (Page 669). She concluded with this bit of clever advertising: "Lost—Sometime between April, 1943 and April, 1944, and Somewhere among 52 Presbyterials of the W.G.M.S.—19 Junior Societies. A rich, substantial reward is offered to any woman or women who will reorganize and carry on the Junior Societies. Please report to the Presbyterial Junior Secretary."

Junior Awards: Allegheny Presbyterial qualified for the Cup for increased Membership in Class I. (Cup has not arrived.) The Cup for Class II was presented to New York Presbyterial. The Banner for the highest grade in the Standard of Efficiency (86 per cent) went to Idaho.

Two Reports were introduced by the theme, "Love Never Faileth"—*The United Presbyterian Women's Association of North America*—Mrs. T. D. Edgar and *The United Presbyterian Women's Association of the West—Mrs. James Jolly.*

Mrs. J. Ralph Neale, Chairman of a standing committee appointed at 1943 Convention (See July-August 1943 *Missionary Magazine*, p. 656) to cooperate with other church groups to work toward the peace now and after the war, presented the written report of the Committee. Many sources of information have been consulted, resulting in the conviction that "the religion of Christ is the only solution to the problems of the world." An increasing interest everywhere in the problems of peace was noted. Tribute was paid to various agencies working toward a just and durable peace, including International Law, Economics, Society and Religion.

The Committee recommended: First, that the W.G.M.S. through the agency of its official magazine, and any other mediums at its command keep the societies of the denomination informed in this field of Planning for a Christian World Peace, and encourage programs for special study in this field throughout the coming year.

Second, that a standing committee on post-war planning be appointed by the chair and be continued to keep the women of the denomination alert to the development within this field, and to serve as a point of contact with other Christian efforts of a similar kind throughout our country and the world.

These recommendations were adopted seriatim.

Mrs. Henry led her second Quiet Hour on "Prayer." She read Psalm 146, interspersing her reading with comments on the deeper meaning of *Praise* that had come to her from this Psalm, especially during the dark days of her husband's imprisonment when the Italians were invading and occupying Ethiopia. Comfort and hope increased as she had meditated upon the seventh verse. She closed by asking for silent directed prayers and for audible prayers for the subjugated peoples of Europe, for soldiers in Japanese Concentration Camps, for Christian soldiers in the Army of India, and for the neglected parts of Africa.

It seemed fitting that the report that followed was entitled "Praise God for God's Gift of Prayer" by Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton, *Prayer Group Secretary* (Page 676).

Mrs. Arthur B. McBride, chairman (Mrs. A. J. Randles and Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton also members of the Committee) reported: The Board of Directors of the W.G.M.S. being desirous of assisting worthy young people of our denomination in obtaining a Christian education, voted to give $1000 for the present emergency campaign, and in addition a gift of $1000 annually to provide scholarships in our five Board-related colleges for students preparing for full-time Christian service. Since the W.G.M.S. was formed for the purpose of cooperating with the Boards of the Church it seemed logical to The Women's Board that the Church's educational agency should handle the scholarship fund, as The Board of Education has a definite application procedure and follow-up program. This $1000 is to be divided equally among the five colleges and only candidates preparing for: (1) The ordained ministry; (2) a commissioned church worker, as director of religious education or a church social worker; (3) a missionary in medical, evangelistic, educational, technical or nursing fields at home and abroad, are eligible for a scholarship. Details can be secured from The Women's Board and from the College Presidents.

Mary Hunter Cook sang "Paris Angelicus."

Miss Kate A. Hill presided at an "Information, Please"—the experts *unstumped* by her questions being the Foreign Missionaries present, who were on the platform in relay classes representing the Mission Field, Wives of Foreign Missionaries, and Recruits. This question-and-Answer Period was preceded by singing "Unafraid"—a song that has come out of "Occupied China," and is gaining popularity because of the courage and trust it inspires. (Copies for sale from Literature Department.) The questions answered included the naming of outstanding events in Egypt and India during the past year, the native leadership being developed in our four fields, opportunities open, etc. Miss Hill concluded the period by asking the Convention President to answer this pertinent question: "What do you expect from a returned missionary?" Answer: (1) Missionaries should have time for rest and study during furlough. (2) They should attend Conferences, mingling especially with young people and going more than half way to let the young people know that a missionary is a *person* with the common touch. Some Church Publication should serve as a clearing house, listing travel itineraries and changing locations of missionaries so that Societies might know when they are in particular vicinities.

Mrs. William Breitweiser moved that all missionary visitors, not having Credentials, be granted full Convention privileges. An unanimous vote favored this motion.

Prayer by Mrs. Mark Roy preceded the afternoon recess.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

PART I—THANK OFFERING SERVICE

Mrs. O. H. Milligan, presiding.

One member from each of the 52 Presbyterials, and costumed representatives of the American Indian, the Sudan, Egypt, and India Missions formed the processional, singing "Praise the Lord in Heavenly Places" as they entered and took their places in the front seats of

Brown Chapel. The Call to Worship, Psalm 92:1,2 was recited in unison by the congregation. Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen offered the Invocation Prayer. The anthem, "Evening Hymn" (Dudley Buck) was presented by the Summer Choir. Mrs. Heagen led the congregation in reading responsively from Psalm 113. An offering was received, to be applied to the 1944 Annual Thank Offering.

Following a brief responsive Scripture reading by Mrs. Milligan and the Thank Offering representatives, the latter marched to the platform. As each stood before the microphone she answered Roll Call by stating the amount her Presbyterial had contributed to the 1943 Thank Offering. Mrs. Milligan reported that the grand total from the Presbyterials in America had amounted to $172,117.85. Mrs. William Sandles, President of Monongahela Presbyterial, had the Prayer of Consecration.

PART II. FOREIGN MISSIONS

Mrs. J. D. Sands, presiding.

Following the singing of the Convention Song, Mrs. J. D. Sands gave a resume of our Foreign Mission work since the Department was organized as a part of the W.G.M.S. It had its beginnings when the Foreign Missions Board assigned to the Women's Board the support of ten young women, three of whom are living in America now as retired missionaries, — Miss Rosa McCullough, Miss Emma Dean Anderson, and Miss Mary J. Campbell. New responsibilities were added as the years passed, including the support of all unmarried women missionaries, and then of native Bible women.

Mrs. Sands introduced Miss Frances Brown who spoke of the Open Doors in India, as evidenced by increasing sales of New Testaments and Gospel portions, in the widely-attended evangelistic services in the villages, and in the friendly reception and hearing among Chamars and Sweepers. There is a growing opposition in some places and we cannot predict what the future may hold under the coming home rule; but whatever the future may hold we know that the church will stand because what God has wrought is eternal.

Dr. Elsie M. French was the second speaker. Her theme was "Widening Horizons." As the word *horizon* may be defined as the "measure of the distance man can see" so did she picture the change in outlook of Egyptian women and girls through the uplift of Christian education. In Switzerland there is a valley so deep that the sunlight strikes the bottom of it only a few hours each day. It is as though walls surrounded the valley. So it has been with Egyptian womanhood—bound by walls of ignorance and superstition, out of which she has gradually ascended socially, intellectually and religiously to a widening vision of service for the Lord.

Mrs. Sands presented the thirty-year service pin to Miss French, eligible to receive it since 1939. Also a pin to Miss Nellie Smith, eligible since 1941. Fifty-two Home and Foreign missionaries have received this honor since the custom was started in 1911.

A Girls' Trio from Cambridge pupils of Prof. Milton Rehg, sang "Give Thanks" (Williams). Mrs. Duncan C. Henry gave her address on Ethiopia, beautifully comparing the River Nile, which has its headwaters in Ethiopia, to the *River of Christianity,* channeled by our Mission. This *River* began at Sayo, as a little stream, flowed strong, came upon the rocks of Italian Invasion. September, 1939, was filled with tense anxiety for our missionaries. It seemed to have disappeared into the sand—yet not quite, because of the faithfulness of 24 Ethiopian Christians, witnessing even to their Italian guards. At last the *River* flowed again into the sunshine of freedom. With Haile Selassie back on his throne our missionaries are preparing for greater advance—or in "river symbolism"—for digging deep channels letting the Water of Life flow into waiting Southwest Ethiopia.

No missionaries from the Sudan were present. Miss Marian Farquhar from Iowa was presented as a newly-appointed missionary to the Sudan. She spoke briefly, but in such an eager and inspiring manner, looking forward to years of missionary service until she too might receive a thirty-year service pin, that she inspired her listeners to worshipful praise to God for giving to our Church missionary opportunities, plus consecrated young people to accept the opportunities.

Prayer and Benediction by Dr. A. A. Thompson, then "Postlude" an organ selection, closed the evening meeting.

President and Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery held an informal Open House at the College Manse.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Organ Prelude "Adagio" (Rogers), then the Morning Meditation, "Praise Him in the Homeland" by Mrs. R. C. Gibson of Chicago Presbyterial. The hearty singing of Psalm 65 (Psalter Hymnal 118), the reading of the poem "I Met God in the Morning" and the Scripture from Psalm 107:1-8 and several verses from Genesis created a devotional atmosphere for the day's program. Even as Adam had a work to do in the Garden of Eden, so missionary women have a part in building a garden—the Garden of Righteousness. Prayer by Mrs. Gibson was followed by the song "Great Shepherd Who Leadest" (Psalter Hymnal 149.)

Mrs. Charles Morehead from the New Concord Presbyterian Missionary Society presented a beautiful basket of roses and lilies, graciously accepted by the President.

Report of the *Thank Offering Secretary,* "Praise Him for Gratitude" —Mrs. O. H. Milligan (Page 677).

Miss Kate A. Hill, retired India missionary, in a Travelogue told of her experiences visiting our Mountain and Negro Missions in the South, and also of her visit to our five Board-related Colleges in the interests of securing recruits for full-time missionary service.

In a humorous vein Miss Hill vividly described the Old-Clothes Rooms at Frenchburg and Ezel, mentioning non-mated shoes and nondescript hats. However, from this old-clothes department many worthy people have been helped, and the small amount charged for the many useful articles is a source of steady, needed income for the missions. The rural Sabbath Schools conducted out of Frenchburg and Ezel stand out as among the finest things Miss Hill saw in the Southland.

Her Negro-mission Visitation included Knoxville College whose McMillan Chapel, the library, dormitories and other memorials impressed her; Athens, where she noted happy relationships between the races in mission study classes together; our missions in Wilcox County, Alabama, carried on entirely by the people themselves, a truly indigenous work in our own land, shepherded by the consecrated leadership of Rev. D. F. White, Rev. R. P. Williams and their co-workers; Henderson and Townsville in North Carolina and Chase City, Virginia, where she had sweet fellowship with the leaders there.

She concluded her Southern Travelogue by stating that though our mission schools may be taken over by the State, the chapels and churches established will remain. We must continue to work for equality in educational advantages, equality in transportation facilities, and for the repeal of discriminatory racial measures.

In her itinerary of our Colleges Miss Hill spoke at chapel services, in group meetings and met students in conference. In each college she found Christ exalted through Bible study and "Life Groups"—students with the expressed intention of serving Christ in whatever path of Life's activity He calls them. She found the young people responsive and fine, giving evidence we need not fear the Future in their hands. Many were looking forward to reconstruction work after the war. Let us praise God for our opportunities through Christian education.

Report of *The Young Women's Secretary,* "Praise Him for Young Women Ambassadors"—Miss Ida B. Little (Page 673).

Four young women assisted Miss Little in reporting on:

(1) Statistics—Gwendolyn Keating, Monmouth.

(2) Efficiency—Janet McInnes, Philadelphia.

(3) Finances—Mrs. Murray Osborn, Detroit.

(4) Extra Activities—Monnie Etta Benson, Oklahoma.

Extra activities indicate that our girls and young women are busy sending gifts to mission stations, doing Hospital and Red Cross work, remembering service men with letters and gifts, and aiding in congregational and social improvement activities.

Convention Song, Announcements, then the solo "Spirit of God" (Neidlinger) by Eleanor Ferguson.

"Praise Him for Christian Fellowship" included reports from the Home Missions Department:

Home Secretary—Mrs. William S. Cook (Page 696).

Negro Secretary—Miss H. Ray Shear (Page 704).

Indian Secretary—Mrs. Arthur B. McBride (Page 688.)

They stressed the need for prayer, for missionary workers, supplies and funds to supplement the sacrificial and consecrated efforts of the people themselves in these fields of Home Missions.

Mrs. R. Blair Hastings, Cleveland Presbyterial, took as the theme for her first Quiet Hour the single word "Power" which she interpreted as coming to those who will fully consecrate their own feeble powers to the complete ruling, controlling and directing power of his Holy Spirit. Psalm 27:1-7,14 formed her Scriptural background. Prayers were offered by fellow-members of her Presbyterial—Mrs. John R. Louden, President of the 1943 Convention, and by Mrs. Scott Withrow. Mrs. Hastings closed with silent directed prayer for specific causes.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Franck's "Adagio" was used for the Organ Prelude.

Mrs. Henry Ostermeier of San Francisco opened her Meditation on "Praise Him for Consecrated Lives" with prayer and song (Psalter Hymnal 294). Romans 12:1 was read with comments on the consecrated manner in which our missionaries and native Christians do the work assigned to them. She asked that each one think of a beautiful picture she may have seen, analyzing it as to focal point and background. Each adds to the completeness of the other. Even so, Christ is the central focal point of His Church, but the background of countless consecrated lives complete the beauty by filling in the background. The call and answer to personal consecration were voiced in "What Shall I Render to the Lord" sung softly .

Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison read Psalms 126 and 127 in introducing the Memorial Service, honoring those who have left "vacant chairs" in our fellowship of U. P. Women during the past year. Roses were placed in a vase as names were mentioned as a tribute to their memory.

Our homeland is the poorer for the loss of Miss Christianita Totten, teacher in our Negro Schools.

In our missions abroad only India suffered the loss of missionaries—Miss Kate Spencer, for 22 years in evangelistic work; Miss Katherine Beattie, witnessing since 1920; Miss M. Lois Buchanan, in evangelistic and educational work since 1910; and Mrs. Gertrude Martin Wallace, in our mission previous to her marriage.

Roses were added to the Memorial Bouquet honoring three former members of The Women's Board—Mrs. William P. Wiegering, serving 1920-1939; Mrs. William R. McMunn, from 1924 until ill health necessitated her resignation within the past year; and Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, 1910-1941, who died last week.

As the congregation quietly thought of ones dear to them personally, more roses were added. In memory of all our beloved dead Mrs. Howard Jamieson led in prayer and Miss Eileen McCleery sang "God Gives to His Beloved Sleep."

The Sudan and Egypt were presented as "Abundant Fields for Harvest White." Mrs. Sands reported on the Sudan giving information from missionary letters, stating need for new missionaries.

Of Egypt she reported that although Egypt is free from war's alarms many of the soldiers are still there. In fact four British soldiers captured the hearts of four of our missionaries.

Dr. Elsie M. French gave brief, unconnected pictures of Egypt. She asked us to picture Egypt in the midst of a much increased cost of living with necessities hard to secure; picture missionaries caring for little children during air raids earlier in the war; picture thousands of soldiers crowding Cairo sidewalks, and receiving Christian entertainment in missionary homes; picture individual children in the Ezbekia School for Girls. One of these little girls, Ruheya, is in the school devoting her quick mind to work in school and church, all because a New Zealander took an interest in her.

Mrs. Sands called Mrs. Robert Hockman to the platform to speak briefly. Mrs. Hockman told of her abiding desire to return to Ethiopia, but praised God for her opportunity to teach at Wheaton College.

Miss Edith L. McBane moved that messages be sent to Mrs. A. J. Randles and Mrs. Paul M. Haas. Carried, and the Secretary instructed to send them.

The Convention stood, honoring Mrs. John P. White, who arrived in the morning having been unavoidably detained.

All joined in the Convention song.

Mrs. R. Blair Hastings led her second Quiet Hour on "Power." Development of her theme included Quiet Music, Prayer by Miss Jane Smith, Scripture from Matthew 5:13-20, and the recital of the story of the old organist in Freiburg Cathedral who almost missed the beautiful music of Mendelssohn because he was reluctant to let another touch his beloved organ. We may think our lives produce harmony, yet it may be as discord compared with that which the Master wants. Mrs. Horace Giffen and Mrs. John R. White expressed audible prayers, followed by silent prayers directed by Mrs. Hastings.

"Information Please" concerned Home Missions, with Mrs. Arthur B. McBride presiding, assisted by Mrs. H. Ray Shear and Mrs. William S. Cook. Home Missionaries shared in answering questions, of which the following are typical:

On Home Missions—Is the Home Department in a position to undertake new work in the Presbyteries? (Yes, 2 workers): Do the graduates of Frenchburg and Ezel continue with their education? (Prof. William A. Heagen said Yes, 49 per cent of the girls and 51 per cent of the boys): Is the Jane Cook Hospital appreciated in the community? (Yes); What is the greatest need in the Home Department? (Nurses and teachers and money to support them).

On Negro Missions—Are all the teachers and preachers in the Negro Department Negroes? (Rev. St. Paul Epps said that Knoxville and Chase City are the only Negro stations with white workers); How many workers does the W.G.M.S. support and what is the range of salaries? (About 45. Salaries range from $55 to $100 monthly, with average of $60); Is our work effective and are the results in evidence? (Answered by Mrs. H. L. Auhorn and Rev. St. Paul Epps who said Yes, in trained leaders in civic and religious activities).

On Indian—What are some of the effects of the present war on our Indian mission? (Rev. E. H. Carson answered that the removal of Indian boys into U.S. service broadens their world view, and all Indians are more world conscious); what is wardship? (Jane Smith said Government taking care of Indian, making him dependent . . . See current Interdenominational Study Books for details); What is peyote? (Ruth Williamson answered that it is a habit-forming drug made from blossom of cactus); Have we any part in the Religious Education program in the Government Schools? (The W.G.M.S. contributes $200 annually toward salaries for Christian workers).

Mrs. H. L. Auhorn presided at the piano for the singing of "America the Beautiful."

"O Loving Father, Hear Us" (Compagno) was the vocal selection of Prof. Milton Rehg.

Prayer by Dr. Ralph W. Mansfield brought the program to its afternoon recess.

THURSDAY EVENING

HOME MISSIONS PROGRAM—Mesdames Cook, Shear and McBride, presiding.

Organ Prelude, "In Peace and Joy" (Kirnberger). Congregational singing of Psalter Hymnal 184. Mrs. Mary Ciancio worker among Italians in Pittsburgh, gave a brief Worship Service of prayer and Scripture readings from Acts and from Matthew. She quoted:

> "Faith in Christ brings Strength
> Faith in Christ brings Peace
> Faith in Christ brings Salvation
> Faith in Christ brings Life."

Three Home Missionaries gave addresses.

The first, "Mountain Peaks," was led by Prof. William A. Heagen of Ezel. He described Frenchburg and Ezel as beautiful for situation. He told of the transformation that has come into these communities because of improved transportation facilities, leading *in* to secluded mountain sections. These roads also lead *out*. In 1924 the State of Kentucky built Highway 40 through Ezel, and the same year Mrs. Alter started the school at Ezel, one to lead the mountain people out physically, the other to lead them out spiritually. Roads leading in to bring us your gifts and old clothes. Prof. Heagen asked for more leaders, teachers and prayers to come in over these mountain roads.

The anthem "Bless Us, O Lord" (Hamblen) was sung by a Choir of Women's Voices.

Mrs. H. Ray Shear displayed a pin to be given to Mrs. Lavinia Gaines, Chase City, Va., on which is engraved, "For thirty years service in Home Missions."

The Rev. St. Paul Epps of Henderson, North Carolina, spoke on "The Challenge of Negro Missions." He expressed gratitude to the W.G.M.S. for "your ancestors who went down to my ancestors" after the Civil War. The fruit of that labor has been manifest through the lives of Dr. John A. Cotton, Miss Betty Taylor Groves, Miss Josephine Warren, etc. The mantle of your pioneers has been handed down to you in the opportunity you have to help us now through the ministries of teaching and healing. Geographical boundary lines between black and white are becoming non-existent as the Negro moves into the North. He pled that we be missionaries to the Negro we meet daily, as well as sending gifts and clothes to the detached Negro in the South. The Negro is no longer a Southerner. He is becoming an internationalist. "Won't you pray 'O my Lord, what shall I do?' May Negro Missions challenge *you* and *you* and *you!*"

The audience stood to sing the National Hymn "God of Our Fathers" (Psalter Hymnal 450).

Mrs. H. L. Auhorn, teacher of music in the mission at Miller's Ferry, Alabama, gave as a piano solo, a transcription of the spiritual "Deep River".

Out of his seven years of experience with Indian Mission work at Simnasho, Oregon, the Rev. E. H. Carson addressed the Convention on "The Round-Up." He applied thoughts from the 107th Psalm to the life of the Indians, whom ambitious white men pushed on to reservations. Women of this General Missionary Society are helping to answer the cry of verse 19. The time is coming when the Indian will break through the barriers of tribe and caste. Your prayers, support, and missionaries are helping, but the problem is not solved yet. He pictured the activities of the Simnasho Indians at this time of year—ending the round-up of cattle and branding them, feasting on venison and berries, and the women gathering in tents and tepees making embroidered bead work. Let us lift up the blood-spattered cross of Christ to these reserved people in such a manner that they will be branded as His in the "Big Round-Up".

The Second Doxology (Psalter Hymnal 452), Prayer and Benediction by Mr. Carson, and "Postlude" (Dubois) completed the program for the day.

FRIDAY MORNING

Organ Prelude "Andante" (Dobson).

Mrs. J. Willard Acheson, in Morning Meditation, "Praise Him for the Printed Page" called for the singing of Psalter Hymnal 222, and read various Scripture passages fitting to her remarks concerning the Bible as best seller, for which we praise God. Praise Him too for all Christian Literature that goes silently up the rivers, on camel back, across prairies, over mountains, to lonely huts. Bullets and bombs cannot stop this missionary medium to the 1,000,000,000 illiterates in the world. Prayer followed and the singing of Number 230.

The next part of the program concerned *The Women's Missionary Magazine*, beginning with the reading of the Auditor's Report by the Secretary, preceding the Financial Report by Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer. (Page 668).

The Auditor's Report was adopted, carrying with it the adoption of the Financial Report.

Mrs. John P. White presented the Editor's Report (Page 668).

Girls appropriately costumed received the Magazine Shower, the result of which will appear later in *The Magazine*. Mrs. White directed a Radio Interview in which she, in the role of WGMS, interviews three typical literature secretaries. Mrs. John Maharry had the part of Miss Amy Dilatory who shows little interest in her office, considering it of little importance. Mrs. William French was Miss Mona Middleway, satisfied with a society reaching the average of one-third the members subscribers. Miss Wilma Minteer was Miss "Enna Jettick" who believes that the efficiency of missionary societies depends upon their knowledge of the work they support. (Free copies may be secured from the Editor.)

Mrs. E. D. McKune presented Mission Study Books and Program Suggestions for 1944-45. A miniature bridge was suggested as a visible symbol which might add depth and meaning to the monthly programs on "Missionary Bridge Building." Mention was made of the textbooks and supplementary materials for the study of the American Indian (Home Missions theme) and Southeast Asia (Foreign Study theme).

The Girls' Trio delighted with Mendelssohn's "Lift Thine Eyes".

"Praise Him for God and Country" was the theme for Prayer for Men and Women in the Service by Mrs. Arthur B. McBride. It was an impressive period in which her prayer expressions of praise, gratitude, and petition were but the voiced expressions of all who quietly waited in prayer.

Taking count of certain groups present revealed the attendance of 5 Life Directors; 8 mothers of missionaries; 5 retired and 26 active Home and Foreign Missionaries. About 50 per cent of the delegates were attending their first WGMS Convention.

From the singing of the Convention Song, it was an easy step to the eleven-o'clock Prayer-Around-the-World Service conducted by Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton, Prayer Group Secretary. An unlighted globe of the world and tall unlighted candles of various colors were in evidence, to be lighted later to symbolize the outreach of the Light of the World through various phases and departments of our work. Mrs. E. E. Erskine, representing The Life Directors, lighted the globe of the world, signal for designated groups and individuals to take their places on the platform. The Misses Helen Artman, Nellie Smith, Ruth Williamson and Mrs. Duncan C. Henry represented our foreign fields. Following the lighting of a candle by Mrs. Erskine, a prayer or Scripture promise read by a member of the Women's Board, each missionary stated a need of her mission. The same procedure of candle-lighting and Scripture quotation was followed as Rev. E. H. Carson, Mrs. H. L. Auhorn, Mrs. William A. Heagen and Mrs. R. C. Russell gave needs in the Home Mission work. Likewise the four Convention Officers lighted candles. Others having Scripture or Prayer Parts were the two members of the Magazine Staff, Mrs. John R. Louden representing Past Presidents; Mrs. Charles B. Warren representing Life Members; and Mrs. Catherine H. Lamb representing mothers and women of the Church. Mrs. Fulton asked all to look at the Convention theme banner as Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery, representing the Local Committee *lined out* "Old Hundred" for all to sing with her.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Organ Prelude "Andante from Third Sonata" (Mendelssohn) preceded the Meditation by Mrs. R. B. Fulton of Chartiers Presbyterial. For her theme, "Praise Him for Peace" she quoted John 14:27. Christ came to give Peace to the world. Peace that passeth human understanding comes from complete reconciliation with the Heavenly Father, and is a mighty helper to men in fox holes and to their loved ones. Praise God for this Peace. Mrs. Fulton quoted the song "Peace, Perfect Peace" (Psalter 194).

The Question Box with Mrs. Charles B. Warren in charge, had been opened and from it taken the questions delegates had placed there, and were answered by Miss Edith L. McBane, Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Miss Ida B. Little, Mrs. H. Ray Shear and Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold. In subject matter the questions varied from how to choose delegates to the W.G.M.S. Convention, to whether Life Members and Memorials may include sons, husbands and fathers (The answer is Yes). A request was expressed that the Worship Service planned by Mrs. John P. White for the opening session be published in the *Magazine* (Promised that it will be). Another question on how Societies should apportion their mission funds received the answer given out by The Women's Board several years ago, and is of sufficient general interest to be repeated here. For the Seven Departments this relative proportion is suggested: For every Missionary Dollar, the present apportionment calls for 50c for Foreign; 22c for Home; 18c for Negro; 5c for Indian; 1c for Temperance; 2c for Benevolence; 2c for Parsonage.

John Campbell sang "Gethsemane" by Ackley.

The word "Praise" gave Mrs. R. W. Caldwell of Philadelphia her Quiet Hour theme. She quoted several Bible verses from the Psalms exhorting us to Praise. From the Psalms filled with praise, loyalty and thanksgiving she selected two to be sung (Psalter Hymnal 203 and 175). Mrs. Caldwell remarked that those attending this Convention should praise Him for the theme we have, for the missionary and inspirational messages, and for souls saved because of our missions. Her request for volunteer prayers met with a ready response.

BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen reported that Class I Cup for the Junior Award had arrived. She presented it to Mrs. William Breitweiser for the 34 Junior Societies of Allegheny Presbyterial.

Dr. Robert N. Montgomery expressed appreciation for action taken on the Student Scholarships, much needed now by our colleges in training leaders. He stated that although less than 20 per cent of the young people in U.P. homes attending college go to U.P. Colleges, yet from this 20 per cent comes 65 per cent to 70 per cent of our church leaders. Only about one-third of the students in our colleges now are U.P.'s; the remainder are from other denominations.

Miss Edith L. McBane, Recording Secretary of the Board of Directors, announced the Annual Corporation Meeting to be held at the Publication Building on June 27th at 10 a.m.

The Committee appointed at the 1943 Convention to study Recommendation 1 (See July 1943 *Magazine*, p. 653. The recommendation to be studied reads, "We recommend that the members of the Women's Board be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of their office.") reported that the committee felt keen appreciation for the sacrificial work of the Board members, but after noting that only 10 Presbyterials paid the W.G.M.S. Contingent in full and in view of other angles involved, would recommend that at the present time we do not assume the expenses of the members of The Women's Board incurred in the performance of their duties. We would also recommend that at some future time a plan for meeting such expense be given further consideration.

Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb, Chr.
Mrs. R. C. Sherrard
Mrs. O. H. Milligan
Mrs. R. Blair Hastings
Mrs. Scott McMunn.

The report of this Standing Committee was adopted, meaning that Recommendation 1 from the 1943 Convention was not adopted.

The President read Recommendation 7, from the 1943 Convention (July, 1943 *Magazine*, p. 653) regarding the changing of Article III, Section 5 of the Charter and By-Laws of the W.G.M.S. to include the payment of traveling expenses of the Second Vice-President to the Convention. The President also read the By-Law of the Charter as it now stands, explaining the change that the Amendment would make. Mrs. J. D. Snyder, Monongahela Presbyterial, moved that this amendment be adopted. Motion carried.

The Committee on Place reported: "College Springs Presbyterial and Tarkio College invite the W.G.M.S. for the Annual Meeting in 1945."

Mrs. W. H. Hay, Chair.
Mrs. Howard Jamieson
Mrs. R. W. Huddle.

Mrs. M. Earle Collins, wife of the President of Tarkio College, extended a further welcome. The report was adopted unanimously.

The Recommendations Committee reported:

Ever mindful of our complete dependence upon God, and desirous of being better stewards of His, and being much concerned where we see the lack of spiritual vigor among our churches: the apathy, indifference, social and racial discriminations, yes, even hypocrisy in places which must bring sorrow to our Saviour's heart, we recommend:

1. That each delegate here resolve to lend every effort toward the building up and deepening of her own spiritual life and that of her society; that first place may be given to prayer and Bible Study.

2. That we recall to mind that He "made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth"; that we strive as Christians to break down the barriers of prejudice and inequality, willing to give to our brothers of every race the same respect, the same opportunities, that we ourselves have.

3. A systematic study of The Women's Missionary Magazine to obtain a working knowledge of our mission activities, knowing that an informed membership will be concerned for the great needs of our church and will produce competent leadership for our young women, girls, and Junior societies.

4. That all societies make a consecrated endeavor to increase their contributions to the regular missionary budget. The financial and economic situation prevailing throughout the world calls for increased support to meet the demand of current budgets.

5. That each Presbyterial endeavor to have all societies co-operate *fully* in the payment of the contingent fund of 10c per member for the W.G.M.S. Expense Fund.

6. That as Christian mothers we be more concerned about the rise in juvenile delinquency; that we study the problems in our own communities, striving to do all in our power to combat the evil.

7. That as this is election year, we avail ourselves of every opportunity to obtain correct information concerning our candidates and that we shoulder our Christian responsibility by exercising our franchise.

8. That we become more deeply concerned about the evils of the liquor

traffic in our midst, that we cooperate fully with those organizations which are striving to stamp out this cancer, knowing that He has promised "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face and *turn from their wicked ways,* then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land". That as a convention of Christian citizens we go on record as being opposed to the sale and use of intoxicating liquors, sending a letter to our President of our stand and urging the passage of the bills now pending in Congress, S860 and H.R.2082.

9. That we remain constant in prayer for our girls and boys in service, seeking God's protecting care for them through these days of danger, asking that if it be His will, they may speedily be returned in safety to the ways of peace.

10. That we work and pray for a just and lasting peace, asking that the Holy Spirit may cleanse the hearts of all those who have been filled with false teachings and with hate so that when we do at last have peace, it may be built upon a firm foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Thomas R. Sarver, Chr.
Miss Jane C. Smith
Mrs. W. H. Dickey
Mrs. Scott Withrow
Mrs. R. W. Caldwell.

The Credential Committee reported:

Officers of Convention	4
Board of Directors	13
Magazine Staff	2
Presbyterial Delegates	157
India	9
Egypt	9
Sudan appointee	1
Ethiopia	1
Home Missions	5
American Indian	1
Negro Missions	1
Women's Association of North America	1
Life Members (Not elsewhere)	83
Life Directors (Not elsewhere)	1
Total voters enrolled	288

Mrs. W. T. Campbell, Chr.
Mrs. Murray Osborn
Mrs. Robert Allen
Mrs. Henry Dietz
Mrs. Walter S. Falk
Mrs. Cora Hanlon
Mrs. R. C. Tait.

The Roll of voting members was called according to this report.

The Nominating Committee reported, followed by the election of Officers and Board Members.

The Memorials Committee reported that no memorials having been received, no report could be given.

The President appointed on the Standing Committee on Post-war Planning: Mrs. J. Ralph Neale, Chr., Mrs. John P. White, Mrs. Charles B. Warren.

The Auditing Committee reported: "We, the Auditing Committee have examined the Minutes of the W.G.M.S. up to Thursday noon and recommend their adoption with a very few minor changes and corrections.

Mrs. F. G. Wright, Chr.
Mrs. Samuel E. Baird
Mrs. Alice E. Currier.

Report adopted.

Mrs. Baird moved that further Minutes be not audited. Carried.

A letter was read from Miss Dora B. Mason, en route to Egypt with the Misses Cabeen, McKnight, Wilson, and Dr. Mary Smith.

A telegram of greeting from Miss Lillian M. Robertson, also greeting messages from Mrs. Paul M. Haas and Mrs. A. J. Randles were reported.

During the time of waiting for the Report of the Tellers, President

Baker expressed her appreciation of the joy that has come to her in serving as President and thanked all who had had any part in planning for the physical comfort and for the Convention Program through their prayers and active service. A general "Thank-you, Thank-you, Gratitude Period" followed until it would seem that everybody had thanked everybody for the inspiration of a wonderful Convention.

The Tellers reported as follows:

President—Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery, Muskingum.

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Second Vice-President—Mrs. M. Earle Collins, College Springs.

Secretary—Mrs. E. D. McKune, Idaho.

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Marion Repschlager
Elizabeth Maxwell
Gladys Groves
Mrs. Norman G. Webster
Mrs. Clarence Hoagland
Gwendolyn Keating.

The President declared these officers elected and introduced them.

Closing Prayer by Dr. C. M. Laing.

FRIDAY EVENING

For the closing session of the Convention the Organ Prelude was "I Call to Thee, Lord" by Bach.

"Praise the Lord, all ye His Hosts" was the theme of the Worship Service led by Dr. Elsie M. French. She read Psalm 103, making appropriate comments as she read, asking questions and reading the answers from the verses of this Psalm. In teaching Old Testament History at Ezbekia School she said that she learned of God's eagerness to teach His children obedience. If we can go out from this mountain-top experience remembering that God is with us we can be victorious. She closed with Prayer and Psalter Hymnal, Number 168.

The Choir sang "Calm O'er the Hill," (Rittenhouse).

The address by the Reverend Glenn P. Reed, D.D., Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, was based on the theme, "Hold Fast Thy Crown," selected from the message to the Church at Philadelphia, Rev. 3:11. He challenged the delegates to hold fast to the crown of true womanhood, which he defined as "complete willingness to give life that there may be life for others." Delegates to this Convention are privileged women, having come, no doubt, because of the recognition of the debt owed to countless women less privleged, and here in the spirit of wanting to pay that debt.

Over and above the *ordinary* duty of supporting individual congregations United Presbyterian women are called to an *extra-ordinary* duty. It stems from the very genius of womanhood's instinct to sacrifice in supporting not only the work of the W.G.M.S., but first of all, the Home and Foreign Boards of our Church. He outlined the sacred, life-giving privilege in areas of family life, in solving social problems in the fields of racial attitudes, ethics and morals, and in supplying Christian literature for a world rapidly growing literate. Christian women owe a debt to the soldiers returning from contacts with people different in race and color, but to whom in some cases they owe their physical, even their spiritual lives, because pioneer missionaries planted seeds of Christianty there. To these soldiers we must make it evident that Missions and Mission study are not the exclusive province of women. Our wealth of literature is for men as well. "Put, if need be, your organization in jeopardy to give life, and when you give life you will find it yourself."

The outstretched arms of Christ on the cross indicate that He is giving Self completely, opening His arms so wide that the world can rush into them. Well may we wonder whether Jesus in his last words to Mary and to John may not have been emphasizing the noblest relationship between men and women, that of women as mothers and men as sons.

The W.G.M.S. has a future. May it be through a willingness to give life that there may be life for others. "Hold fast thy Crown!"

The Choir sang the anthem, "O Lord, Our Governor," (Gadsby).

Mrs. J. C. Alter conducted a brief but challenging Consecration service, coming, she said, at the close of our perfect day of a wonderful Convention and crowned with a timely address. It is hard to realize that there is peace that passeth understanding in a world so full of turmoil, yet it is blessedly true. Let us build strong, enduring foundations as we press on toward the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Mrs. Alter and Mrs. Baker led in consecration prayers.

Dr. Robert N. Montgomery led in the closing prayer and benediction.

The President brought down the gavel, declaring the adjournment of the Sixty-first Annual Conventon of The Women's General Missionary Society.

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THE WAR OF THE NATIONS

Rev. G. W. Belk

God pity the men in the trenches tonight,
With the dead and the dying around them,
Brave fellows that fell in the furious fight,
Still clinging to country with courage and might,
And the spartan oath that bound them.

God pity the boys whom we hoped today
Would make the men of tomorrow;
Through mud and blood they are marching away
To swell the ranks in the frightful fray
That is filling the world with sorrow.

God pity the dear ones who watch and wait
And weep and pine and languish,
With burdens too heavy, and griefs too great
To be longer borne in their sad estate
Of bitterness, woe and anguish.

God pity us all as we lift our eyes
And the dawn of Peace implore,
When the clouds shall clear from the murky skies,
And that brighter and happier day arise
When the nations learn war no more.

—In A. R. P. Journal of Missions.

REPORT OF

Recording Secretary

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE Board of Directors held twenty-two regular and three special meetings during the past year. Board members made a total of eighty-three addresses.

A joint meeting with the Foreign Board was held in Pittsburgh in November. The Pre-Conference session in New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, included members of both these Boards, as well as missionaries.

The report of the Board to the 1943 General Assembly was presented by Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch and Miss Edith L. McBane.

In the field of interdenominational cooperation, the Board sent delegates to meetings of the Foreign Missions Conference, the Home Missions Council, the Missionary Education Movement, and the United Council of Church Women and assumed a share in the support of these organizations.

A new venture for our Board in interdenominational work was a gift of five thousand dollars to the Missionary Medical College for Women at Vellore, India. This institution offers our only opportunity for helping to provide Christian training for native doctors in India. Special aid was needed at this time to enable Vellore to meet government requirements. After this year, the Board plans to make an annual contribution of one thousand dollars.

Efforts are being made to secure new recruits to be ready for post-war advances. To this end, the Board established this year an annual scholarship of two hundred dollars in each of our five United Presbyterian colleges to aid students who are preparing for full-time missionary service. As another step in this direction, Miss Kate Hill, retired missionary from India, under the auspices of the Board, visited the five denominational colleges to present our work and interview young people who are interested. Miss Hill also made a tour last fall of our mountain and Negro stations.

Changes in personnel include one resignation and two new members. After nineteen years of faithful service as Junior Secretary and Business Manager of the *Junior Missionary Magazine*, Mrs. W. R. McMunn last July tendered her resignation on account of illness which resulted in her death nine months later. Mrs. Paul M. Haas of Youngstown, Ohio, was elected her successor.

The death of another former member, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering, who also had given nineteen years of devoted service, occurred shortly before that of Mrs. McMunn. A third ex-member, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, who had served thirty-one years, died on June 9, 1944.

Mrs. Charles Bradley Warren of Ben Avon, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Robert M. Karr, whose resignation was recorded in last year's report. Mrs. Warren became Temperance and Reform Secretary.

Another resignation, though not from the Board, was that of Miss Sallie E. Dickey, who is physically unable to continue the work she has carried on acceptably for six years as Field Secretary.

The terms of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Mrs. Joseph W. Heagen, Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison, and Mrs. Paul M. Haas expire this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith L. McBane.

REPORT OF

Women's Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

EACH spring we scan the figures which come to us in the yearly reports. It is almost as though we visited familiar places as we read the roll of the missionary societies. So much depends on the local and presbyterial Women's Secretaries as to the promptness and correctness of these reports that we feel they each deserve a vote of appreciation, not only from the Women's General Secretary, but also from every member of every group. The town of Emporia, Kansas, has gained world renown through William Allen White who lived there. His home was Emporia but his interests and his fame stretched over the whole world. Just so, denominationally speaking, do these missionary members enlarge their lives. They live and work with their home churches but their interests and their influence are worldwide. And each member carries her own responsibility in the work of the Master.

Statistics for the Senior Women's Department: We report only 3 new societies; two in Caledonia Presbyterial—The Cleveland Drive Women's Association with 21 members and The Laurelton Women's Missionary Guild with 20 members. The Ilda Mitchell Missionary Society of North Bend, Nebraska, was transferred from the Young Women's Department with its 22 members. (We would welcome more from this department!) These new societies bring us 63 new members and yet the membership gain for Senior societies in America was but 31. Other new societies are being organized and their strength is an added encouragement.

100% Societies: These 25 societies have reached the goal of 100% Efficiency; Arkansas City of Arkansas Valley; Rebekah of First New Castle of Beaver Valley; Elyria, First of Greater Cleveland, Youngstown South of Cleveland; First Denver of Colorado; Winterset Sally Duff of Des Moines; Riverside, Santa Ana, Whittier of Los Angeles; Beverly Heights, Crafton Heights, Knoxville, Mount Lebanon, Oakmont, Sunset Hills of Monongahela; Sparta, St. Louis, Gibson Heights of Southern Illinois; Frenchburg, Mt. Pleasant, Monroe of First Ohio; Tulsa of Oklahoma; Drexel Hill of Philadelphia; Green Lake Seattle of Puget Sound; Third Spokane of Spokane; and West Allis of Wisconsin.

95%, or over, Societies: Springdale, Rochester, First Butler, Harmony, Pa.; Niagara, N. Y.; Clarion, Iowa; Fidelis, First Washington, Taylorstown, Grove, West Middletown, Pa.; Somonauk, Ill.; Albia, Iowa; Joslyn Avenue, Littlefield, Southfield, Mich.; North Kortright, N. Y.; Fairview, N. J.; Nampa, Ontario, Mary and Martha of Adrian, Idaho; Eskridge, Kansas; Puckety, Mount Lebanon Evening, Wallace Memorial, Pa.; Monmouth First, Ill.; McFarland of First Cambridge, O.; Guthrie, Okla.; Albany, Willamette, Ore.; Fresno, Calif.; Connellsville, Pa.; Columbus First Elizabeth Ayers, Ohio. This list of 31 societies is a gain of 9 over last year.

The Senior Societies attained the average grade of 70% which is a gain of 1% in effiiciency. Women's Societies rating highest by Presbyterials were Idaho and Oklahoma tied at 89%; Colorado 83%; Wisconsin 82%; Los Angeles 80%; San Francisco 79%; Arkansas Valley 77%; Monongahela 76%; Chartiers 75% Nebraska, Beaver Valley, (Cleveland and Philadelphia 74%; Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Oregon, Southern Illinois, Rock Island and Spokane 73%; Argyle, Boston, and Puget Sound 72%.

Contributions from this department amounted to $211,370.71, a gain of over 15% from last year. 2748 gift boxes of clothing, toys, etc., were sent out. Senior Societies in India gave $1,102.80, and those in Egypt gave $4,596.01.

Presbyterial Honors: These awards are based on statistics including Senior, Young Women, and Junior Societies. For increase in membership we divide the Presbyterials into "Class A" having 700 or more members, and "Class B" having less than 700 members. "Class A" cup goes to Los Angeles Presbyterial for 11% gain in membership. Xenia was close with almost 10% gain and Conemaugh made 7% gain. In "Class B" the cup goes for one year to Wisconsin Presbyterial with a gain of 70%. New York gained 27% and Cedar Rapids and Idaho each had 14% gain.

The Honor Roll: This includes all Presbyterials which have either a Senior or a Young Women's Society in each congregational and every society reporting on time. 16 Presbyterials are on this roll; Argyle, Chicago, Cleveland, Colorado, Idaho, Indiana, Kiskiminetas, Los Angeles, Mercer, Ohio Northwestern, Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Spokane, Uncompahgre, Wisconsin, and Xenia.

The Extension Department this year numbers 762. This department stimulates interest and enlists aid both in prayer and funds from those who are unable to attend meetings. It deserves consideration where it is not now active. Our total efficiency rating for all Presbyterials this year is 61% as against 59% last year. We have "not yet attained" but should still "press on". Efficiency according to the Standard is only a measuriing device but it does register your interest and loyalty to the mission outreach of our W.G.M.S.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison.

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PRAYER AND POWER

No answer comes to those who pray,
Then idly stand
And wait for stones to roll away
At God's command.
He will not break the binding cords
Upon us laid,
If we depend on pleading words,
And will not aid.
When hands are idle, words are vain
To move the stone;
An aiding angel would disdain
To work alone;
But he who prayeth and is strong
In faith and deed,
And toileth earnestly, ere long
He will succeed.

—*The Alabama Baptist.*

Comparative General Statistical Statement

Year Ending March 31, 1944

America

	1943	1944
Number Presbyteries	53	52
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	53	52
Number Women's Missionary Societies	843	846
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	23,315	23,346
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	615	607
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	10,876	10.851
Number Junior Missionary Societies	489	470
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	10,141	9,838
Total Number Societies	1,947	1,923
Total Number Members	44,332	44,035

India

Number Presbyteries	5	5
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	5	5
Number Women's Missionary Societies	42	40
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	981	957
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	14	15
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	332	394
Number Junior Missionary Societies	1,051	1,060
Total Number Societies	96	93
Total Number Members	2,364	2,411

Egypt

Number Presbyteries	5	5
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	5	5
Number Women's Missionary Societies	43	45
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	1,316	1,213
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	10	5
Number Members Young Women's Societies	826	507
Number Junior Missionary Societies	11	8
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	1,902	1,785
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	1,902	1,785
Total Number Societies	64	58
Total Number Members	4,044	3,505

The Sudan

		No Report
Number Presbyteries	1	
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	1	
Number Women's Missionary Societies	4	
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	75	
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	5	
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	82	
Number Junior Missionary Societies	1	
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	52	
Total Number Societies	10	
Total Number Members	209	

Grand Total

Total Number Presbyteries	64	62
Total Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	64	62
Total Number Societies	2,117	2,074
Total Number Members	50,949	49,951

REPORT OF

Financial Secretary

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

IN order to defray the administrative expenses of the W.G.M.S. it is necessary to secure funds from sources other than gifts for missionary purposes. These funds are: (1) the Presbyterial Contingent Fund, each Presbyterial contributing ten cents per member annually; (2) the interest on investments and deposits and from dividends received, (3) from the sale of Thank Offering supplies and Statistical Reports; and (4) from interest on Church loans. Only one emergency loan remains unpaid, the loan on the Brockton, Mass. Church for $1,425.00, on which no payment of either principal or interest was made this year.

The July-August issue of the Women's Missionary Magazine contains the report of the Convention and the annual reports of the W.G.M.S., and so it is necessarily larger and more expensive, and the Women's Board shares the cost of this issue.

The following is a statement of the receipts and disbursements of all money received from the Treasurer, and the receipts from the Presbyterials for the Contingent Fund:

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

Balance on hand April 15, 1943		$ 2,032.62
Receipts		
To Contingent Fund from Presbyterials	$3,000.56	
From Investment Income	7,400.00	
From a Friend	20.00	
From Interest, Dividends, etc.	1,465.54	$11,886.10
Total Receipts		$13,918.72
Disbursements		
To Women's Missionary Magazine		$ 1,200.00
Administrative Expenses		
Rent of Offices	$1,200.00	
Salaries of Clerks	3,821.70	
Victory Tax to Internal Revenue	378.30	
General office expenses, Telephone, etc.	594.63	
Rent of Safe Deposit Boxes	50.40	
Office Equipment	722.45	
Printing, Mimeographing, etc.	478.51	
Thank Offering Supplies	618.06	
Compensation Ins., Bonds	757.37	
Statistical Reports, Blanks, Postage	504.11	
W.G.M.S. Convention Expenses	304.09	
Assembly, Conference, Delegate Expenses	219.42	
Floral Tributes	57.61	
Main & Co. Auditors	822.46	$10,529.11
Total Disbursements		$11,729.11
Balance on hand April 16, 1944		$ 2,189.61
Total		$13,918.72

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Albany	$ 15.50	Los Angeles	72.70
Allegheny	145.00	Mansfield	43.30
Argyle	31.70	Mercer	46.40
Arkansas Valley	47.25	Monmouth	44.25
Beaver Valley	153.42	Monongahela	280.10
Big Spring	13.00	Muskingum	71.70
Boston	53.85	Nebraska	23.05
Butler	134.30	New York	30.40
Caledonia	98.12	First Ohio	53.15
Cedar Rapids	35.00	Ohio Northwestern	39.90
Chartiers	155.75	Oklahoma	13.60
Chicago	50.05	Oregon	31.00
Cleveland	150.00	Philadelphia	130.70
College Springs	36.12	Puget Sound	36.20
Colorado	50.45	Rock Island	29.55
Concordia	1.00	San Francisco	35.70
Conemaugh	60.50	Spokane	21.80
Delaware	45.20	Steubenville	46.45
Des Moines	33.50	Tennessee	19.90
Detroit	54.60	Uncompahgre	4.50
The Hudson	33.60	Vermont	5.45
Idaho	23.00	Wheeling	41.20
Southern Illinois	64.70	Westmoreland	92.50
Indiana	26.45	Wisconsin	34.80
Kansas City	45.70	Xenia	66.00
Keokuk	28.25		
Kiskiminetas	29.80		
Lake	70.45	Total	$3,000.56

REECEIPTS FROM PRESBYTERIALS

1940	$1,625.90		
1941	2,690.58	Increase of	$1,064.68
1942	2,815.64	Increase of	125.06
1943	2,931.23	Increase of	115.59
1944	3,000.56	Increase of	69.33

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
Financial Secretary

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"I WOULD NOT CROSS THE SEA TO GIVE India a new theology; I would not cross the ocean to give Japan a new religious literature; neither would I take China a new code of ethics. But I would go around the world again and yet again to tell China, India, Africa, Japan and the islands of the sea that:

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains."

—Quoted in Oriental Missionary Standard.

REPORT OF

Parsonage Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE year just closed has been one of encouragement to those dealing with parsonage business. More churches met their payments, either in full or in part, than at any time for years past. Special effort was made in many cases to greatly reduce loans or liquidate them entirely. Only five churches, one in Iowa, one in Nebraska, one in Illinois, one in Pennsylvania and one in Washington, failed to make any payment whatever. This is a great improvement over the past. Two years ago twenty-one churches made no payments, last year eleven made none while this year only five failed to meet their obligations at least in part.

During the year sixty-three loans were carried and of these ten made final payments, nine paying in full and one, owing to a previous agreement, receiving a rebate. Those paying in full were: North Ave. Baltimore, Md., Boston, Pa., Everett, Wash,. Home Mission Department-Ezel, Ky., Lakewood, Ohio, Reed Memorial, Lyndhurst, N. J., Olympia, Wash., Kenton, Portland, Ore., and Warrendale, Pa., while Monroe, Iowa was granted a rebate.

Three new loans were granted, these being to Beverly Hills, Upper Darby, Pa., Elmont, N. Y. and North Ave., Baltimore, Md. One more has been granted since the close of the year and several others are pending.

The total receipts for the year amounted to $37,833.61 leaving an outstanding balance of $151,233.83.

STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS

April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944

	Outstanding Apr. 16.1943	Paid During Year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1944
Akron, Ohio, Allenside	$ 1,247.00	$ 300.00	$ 947.00
Akron, Ohio, North Hill	5,474.35	2,372.00	3,102.35
Akron, Ohio, Oak Hill	3,776.00	408.50	3,367.50
Alliance, Ohio	5,655.00	580.00	5,075.00
Auburn Heights, Michigan	2,928.66	1,550.00	1,378.66
Baltimore Md., North Avenue	574.97	574.97	-------
Beechview, Pa.	339.75	-------	339.75
Beechview, Parsonage	1,800.00	600.00	1,200.00
Boston, Pa.	1,020.00	1,020.00	-------
Canton, Ohio, Fairmont Park	5,522.84	1,761.63	3,761.21
Central Falls, R. I.	3,201.58	376.68	2,824.90
Crafton Heights, Pittsburgh	2,010.46	464.01	1,546.45
Kenton, N. Y., Deerhurst	4,222.00	444.00	3,778.00
Elyria, Ohio	6,519.00	600.00	5,919.00
Everett, Washington	2,394.64	2,394.64	-------
Ewing, Nebraska	444.00	-------	444.00
Gary, Indiana, Brunswick	4,035.93	376.68	3,659.25
Grinnell, Iowa	1,163.37	-------	1,163.37
Glenmoor, Ohio	3,111.38	561.38	2,550.00
Harmarville, Pa.	1,220.50	300.00	920.50
Hutchinson, Kansas	999.00	740.00	259.00
Home Mission Dept. W. G. M. S.	2,500.00	2,500.00	-------
Kenmore, N. Y.	5,388.52	641.04	4,747.48
Lakewood, Ohio	1,450.00	1,450.00	-------
Lakewood, Slovak Calvinist	1,722.00	372.00	1,350.00
Leetsdale, Pa.	3,015.00	1,515.00	1,500.00
Los Angeles, Cal., Beverly Vista	4,982.39	2,085.51	2,896.88
Los Angeles, Cal., Culver City	2,555.00	450.00	2,105.00
Los Angeles, Cal., Florence Avenue	723.12	105.28	617.84

	Outstanding Apr. 16, 1943	Paid During Year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1944
Linesville, Pa.	1,889.24	263.76	1,625.48
Lyndhurst, N. J., Reed Memorial	773.11	773.11	-------
Meadville, Pa.	3,707.75	70.00	3,637.75
Mercer, Pa.	4,074.00	481.00	3,593.00
Minden, Nebraska	1,011.30	133.20	878.10
Monroe, Iowa	499.36	250.00	249.36
Monessen, Pa.	2,503.44	40.00	2,463.44
Mt. Ayr, Iowa	2,291.77	277.56	2,014.21
Niagara, N. Y.	3,904.10	390.00	3,514.10
New York, West 44th Street	13,920.00	-------	13,920.00
Oil City, Pa., Hasson Heights	2,699.34	408.07	2,291.27
Olympia, Washington	473.90	473.90	-------
Oklahoma City, Okla.	367.40	157.56	209.84
Pittsburgh, Pa., Beverly Heights	1,082.49	618.68	463.81
Pittsburgh, Pa., West View	5,222.82	300.00	4,922.82
Philadelphia, Pa., Mayfair	2,856.29	376.68	2,479.61
Portland, Oregon, First	2,491.50	-------	2,491.50
Portland, Oregon, Kenton	1,315.50	1,315.50	-------
Portland, Oregon, Laurelhurst	3,954.94	237.50	3,717.44
Reedurban, Ohio	1,972.00	660.00	1,312.00
Rock Island, Ill., Third	3,550.00	-------	3,550.00
San Francisco, Ingleside	4,934.88	119.88	4,815.00
San Francisco, Second	1,082.16	502.71	579.45
Scottdale, Pa.	2,521.98	171.00	2,350.98
Spokane, Washington, Second	1,454.65	454.76	909.89
Stewart Manor, L. I.	5,888.73	-------	5,888.78
Tarentum, Pa., Ninth	$ 6,974.00	-------	$ 6,974.00
Warrendale, Pa.	1,600.73	$ 1,600.73	-------
Washington, D. C., River Road	4,185.00	444.00	3,741.00
Weiser, Idaho	1,077.14	125.00	952.14
Wichita, Kansas, College Hill	563.90	199.68	364.22
Wichita, Kansas, First	625.18	435.18	190.00
Wilmington, Delaware	2,092.93	411.18	1,681.75
Youngstown, Ohio, Gibson Heights	2,710.36	300.00	2,410.36
Youngstown, Ohio, Pleasant Grove	2,812.00	444.00	2,368.00
Total	$179,080.35	$ 36,977.95	$142,102.39
New Loans			
Baltimore, Md., North Avenue	1,590.00	238.50	1,351.50
Elmont, N. Y.	3,774.00	188.70	3,585.30
Upper Darby, Pa., Beverly Hills	4,444.00	-------	4,444.00
Total	$188,888.35	$ 37,405.16	$151,483.19
Cash Received on Loans		$ 37,405.16	
Quit Claim Deed		1.00	
Interest Beechwood Parsonage		78.75	
Interest Florence Ave. Parsonage		41.09	
Interest Stewart Manor Parsonage		110.00	
Donation LaCrosse, Kansas		197.60	
Total Cash and War Bond Received		$ 37,833.61	
Rebate			
Monroe, Iowa	249.36		249.36
Outstanding Loans April 15, 1944			$151,233.83

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch, Secretary

REPORT OF

The Treasurer

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

With grateful hearts, we present the SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL report of the treasurer of The Women's General Missionary Society, giving to our Master all the credit and all the praise for every advancement made.

Our receipts for the year, including the 1943 Thank Offering, are $555,405.99, an increase over last year of $119,417.50.

The breakdown of this amount shows: from our fifty-three Presbyterials we received $134,440.89. This is an increase over last year of $10,187.68, even though we had a decrease in membership. Please note this increase does not take into consideration the Thank Offering, but is the amount given by Presbyterials for the regular work. Forty-five (45) Presbyterials, three more than last year, had a part in this increase. The names of the Presbyterials are as follows: (Concordia Presbyterial contributed until dissolved in October 1943 and is not included for comparative purposes). The names of the Presbyterials are as follows:

Albany, Argyle, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Big Spring, Boston, Butler, Caledonia, Cedar Rapids, Chartiers, Chicago, Cleveland, College Springs, Colorado, Des Moines, Detroit, Hudson, Idaho, Illinois Southern, Indiana, Kansas City, Keokuk, Kiskiminetas, Lake, Los Angeles, Mansfield, Mercer, Monmouth, Monongahela, Muskingum, New York, Ohio First, Ohio Northwestern, Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, Rock Island, San Francisco, Spokane, Steubenville, Tennessee, Uncompaghre, Westmoreland, Wisconsin and Xenia. We are happy to report that twelve Presbyterials; i. e., Butler, Des Moines, Hudson, Idaho, Illinois Southern, Kiskiminetas, Monongahela, Oklahoma, Steubenville, Tennessee and Westmoreland, not mentioned as having an increase last year increased their contributions this year. However, we are sorry to report that seven (7) Presbyterials which increased their contributions last year had a decrease this year: Allegheny, Conemaugh, Delaware, Nebraska, Oregon, Vermont and Wheeling.

THE THANK OFFERING: The 1942 Thank Offering, amounting to $142,514.92, reported to the 1943 Convention, but not included in the receipts for that year, was distributed in June 1943, as follows. To Junior Life Memberships $5,630.00; Senior Life Memberships, $16,075.00; Life Directorships $2,100.00; Foreign Salaries $113.00 and Orphans Home $5.00, a total of $23,973.00.

The above in accordance with the wishes of the givers. The remainder, amounting to $118,000.00 was distributed to the Seven Departments of work, according to their need, excluding the Temperance and Reform department, and including the Junior Magazine Fund. Foreign General $75,000.00; Home Department $19,000; Indian $3,000.00; Negro $19,000; Benevolence $1,000.00 and Junior Magazine Fund $1,000.00. The amounts distributed to the various departments appear in this year's report of a credit transfer to the different departments. The interest on Thank Offering deposits plus the money received for sale of supplies, amounted to $541.92; this was placed in the Contingent fund out of which the expenses of this department are paid. The Thank Offering furnishes about one-third of our revenue. Were The Women's General Missionary Society to make up the budget without counting upon the money received from the Thank Offering, the work for which we are responsible would have to be greatly curtailed.

CONTRIBUTIONS received from CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH SCHOOLS, BIBLE CLASSES and INDIVIDUALS, sent direct to the treasurer of The Women's General Missionary Society, amounted to $20,015.29, an increase over last year of $5,700 plus. This covers salaries of missionaries and Bible women, also scholarships in various schools. The results can never be estimated in dollars and cents.

LEGACIES: These come to us either designated or to be used at the discretion of the Board, where most needed. From this source we received $14,121.68, an increase over last year of approximately one thousand dollars.

ANNUITIES: During the year, under review, the Annuity Fund was increased by $16,900 representing new Agreements, while lapsed agreements amounted to $9,500.00. Total interest paid to annuitants $16,879.00, while income allocated to the Annuity Fund from investments amounted to $10,603.20. The excess of interest paid over income from investments amounted to $6,275.00. This was taken from our Reserve Investment Income account, the total amount of the lapsed annuities going into Mission work.

INVESTMENT INCOME: Our invested funds consist of Endowments, Memorials, Annuities and Pension Principal. These are permanent funds and must be kept invested, the interest on Endowments being used to help maintain the institutions for which they are given; that on Annuities to help pay the interest due the annuitants and that on Memorial funds in accordance with the respective wishes of the creators. Other investments, termed General, consist of temporary designated funds, namely, Senior and Junior Life Membership, Life Directorships and Parsonage. Income earned on investments last year, including bonds and stocks from legacies, amounted to $57,228.69. We have to depend on the reserve in this account to take care of many calls for money for purposes for which missionary funds cannot be used.

DISBURSEMENTS: We are happy to report that expenditures have been kept within current income. Total expenditures amounted to $487,305.24. This included $7,424.27 in closed banks and $5,950.00 in church loans, charged off. We have an increase in expenditures over last year of $100,267.64. This is partly accounted for by the fact that this last year the entire amount of estimates granted for salaries on the Foreign fields and maintenance of our institutions, was sent to the fields. This has not been the case for the past three years due to war conditions. The increase in foreign expenditures alone amounted to $51,585.86. By referring to your report you will note that Foreign General must carry a very heavy load, so, please be generous with contributions for this fund.

BENEVOLENCE: You will note receipts of $4,506.86 and disbursements of $6,051.79. The $1,000.00 received from the Thank Offering, together with the credit balance at the beginning of the year, enabled us to meet the calls for help which must come from this fund. Included in the expenditures is $1,608.53 paid to Columbia Hospital for services rendered to missionaries under the care of this organization.

PENSION FUND: When our missionaries, Foreign and Home, have given thirty years of faithful service and reach the age of seventy years, they are ready for retirement. It is the purpose to build up the Pension Fund principal to a point where the income from the invested principal will offset pension payments. We are happy to report that we were able this year to add to the Pension Principal Fund $21,349.36, making a total in this fund of $104,528.09. During the year Pension payments aggregated $9,684.12 while income amounted to $4,731.30. The difference amounting to $4,952.82 was taken from the Reserve Investment Income Account. (You can understand why we have to build up our Reserve as well as Mission Funds.) We have fifteen (15) retired missionaries on the roll. This fund also carries the Pension payments made to the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief, in the place of a congregation, for the seven (7) ministers employed by us in the Home, Indian and Negro stations.

ISIAH 41:6 FUND: The Isiah Fund is still fulfilling its mission in aiding the weaker Presbyterials to have representation at the Annual Conventions. Every presbyterial is expected to make some contribution to this fund according to its ability. Then (10) presbyterials have representation at this convention because "They helped every one his neighbor." Receipts for the year amounted to $2,145.48 and disbursements $1,623.40. For your information I wish to state that this fund also takes care of missionaries' travel in this country. Presbyterials desiring help from this fund should send their application to the chairman of this committee (see inside front cover of your magazine) by January 1. The name and address of the principal delegate, and alternate, should be sent by April 1 to the Convention secretary, and also to the Isaiah Committee. Presbyterial presidents and treasurers please take note that contributions to this fund should be in the general treasurer's office by January 1.

We close our year with a balance of $484,890.48, but please remember that it includes not only the Thank Offering for 1943, but also designated uninvested funds; also we get little or no money from societies before the first of September, while all salaries and maintenance are paid regularly, monthly. You will agree that the cash balance shown is needed to keep up payments both at home and abroad without having to borrow money, an unheard thing in our history.

We wish to express our genuine gratitude to our Presbyterial treasurers, and society treasurers, who so faithfully carry on their duties. All our Presbyterial treasurers, with the exception of three sent their remittances in by April 15. Part of the cause for the decrease in some Presbyterials is caused by societies not getting their money in to the Presbyterial treasurer until after our books close, making it necessary to carry this over into the next year. Have you ever thought about the faithful hands who gather this money and send it to the general treasurer? There are approximately 2000 of them in Presbyterials, *not* including congregations, Bible Classes, S. S. and individuals. We wish it were possible to say "Thank you" to each one, also to the host of devoted loyal women throughout The Women's General Missionary Society who make this report possible.

What should be the measure of a true Christian's giving? Shall we say "Christ's need!" A good working principal for stewardship, if one seeks a fraction, is the tithe. But devoted friendship to Jesus Christ lifts us above the tithe unless the tithe be a constant sign of friendship. That loyal friend of long ago did not give his colt because he had nine others. Suppose Jesus had needed all ten. That upper room was not one-tenth of the man's house! For that matter the whole house must have been at his disposal. He does not, cannot, always wait until we have ten coins before he asks for one.

Stewardship and friendship are the same; neither operates on the basis of a fraction. Stewardship is not decimals or arithmetic. Stewardship is love. Love gives itself. The sad little daughter clung to her father's hand as he stood suitcase in hand, ready for a week's journey. Anxious to be gentle he reached for some jingling coins and pressed them in the child's palm. Out of the brown eyes shot a wounded look, with tears—"It isn't the money I want, daddy, it's you!" "Your Father know what thing ye have need of" that is the basis of God's Friendship and love toward us. It forms the basis of our prayer. Could we not, in the matter of giving, reverse that sentence and let it read: "We know what things our heavenly Father hath need of." Ought it not to work both ways? Christ says, "Ask and ye shall receive! Can we be as loyal as He?" Ask and ye shall receive,—we answer back. The steward is the friend. The key that unlocks the door of our treasurer is this, "The Lord Hath Need."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Samuel E. Baird,
Treasurer.

Testamentary and Annuity Report

LEGACIES

Money from Presbyterials has never been sufficient to carry on the work which the Lord has made possible. It is supplemented, largely, by unsolicite dand unexpected bequests. We believe the Lord has consecrated messengers, all over the church, to whom he whispers how to dispose of their early possessions, when they are putting their households in order before they leave for the mansions prepared for them, Eternal in the Heavens.

We record, with sincere appreciation and thankfulness, the names of those who made thoughtful provision for the work of the Kingdom as administered by The Women's General Missionary Society.

RECEIPTS

James Edwards Memorial Fund	$ 551.01
Mrs. Cora M. McCutcheon, New Concord, O. (Final distribution)	2,927.17
Jennie E. White Estate	8.20
Fannie G. Herbert Estate	450.00
Mrs. Bessie Rockwell Hall, Oneonta, N. Y. (Former treasurer of Delaware Presbyterial)	538.44
Mrs. Jennie C. Johnson Swogger, Grove City, Pa.	122.36
Mrs. Alice M. Orr, Glendale, Cal. (Income for deserving boy in Frenchburg school)	311.31
Mrs. Zella Glenn Ferguson, Sterling, Kansas	1,203.19
Mrs. Nettie D. R. Miller, Indiana, Pa.	1,000.00
Esther J. White Estate	100.00
Robert D. Speer Estate, Oak Grove, Ill. (For Frenchburg School)	610.00
Miss Jessie Leigh, Cambridge, N. Y.	300.00
Total	$14,121.68
"Rosa E. Mansfield Memorial Fund", established by her son Ralph E. Mansfield, New Concord, Ohio. Income to be divided equally between Foreign and Home missions	350.00

DISBURSEMENTS

The designated money was distributed as the donors requested, and the undesignated at the option of the Board, making the disbursements:

Pension Income	$ 551.00
Pension principal	12,349.36
Foreign Missions General	300.00
Home Missions, Frenchburg School	921.31
	$14,121.68

Only our Heavenly Father knows the dividends accruing to the Kingdom from these spiritual invesements.

LIFE ANNUITY BONDS

The Life Annuity Bond is a safe and profitable investment for the stewards of the Lord's money who plan to set aside a portion for his use, but who need the income for themselves, or dependents. The percentage of interest paid depends on the age of the annuitant, varying from 4.7% to 7%. We also wish to emphasize the fact that the total principal amount of the lapsed annuities is used for that department of work to which the annuitant designates it, or, if undesignated, by action of the Board, where most needed. We do not deduct from the principal of the lapsed annuity the excess of interest paid over the income earned.

WHY ANNUITIES?

Because those investing are relieved of investment cares, and receive as high a rate of interest as is consistent with safety; higher, in fact, than the ordinary investment, and, at death, when the annuity lapses, the principal amount will be used to carry on the work of the Kingdom as designated by the donor. There are no lawyer fees, court charges or inheritance taxes.

During the year just closed we have issued twelve (12) bonds, the value of which amounted to $16,900.00, a slight increase over last year.

We record the names of those whose annuities have lapsed, with their designations.

Mrs. Anna M. Crawford, Deceased, of New Wilmington, Pa., lapsed at the death of her sister, Miss T. Ella Rose, June 17, 1943. Designated for George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia ------------$	500.00
Miss Mary J. Wilson, Milford, Michigan, Deceased, January 13, 1944. "In judgment of the Board for its most needy work". ---------------------	9,000.00
(This money has been placed in the Pension Principal fund.)	
Bonds outstanding April 15, 1944 -------------------	$288,542.76

We urge prayerful consideration of this plan to all the women of our church. By adopting it, it may be truthfully said of everyone who has a share in it, "Her works do follow her".

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Samuel E. Baird,
Secretary.

AN EXHORTATION TO OBEDIENCE

"Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses and dwelt therein; And when they herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God. And thou shalt say in thine heart, My power and the might of my hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 17, 18

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, TRANSFERS, AND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

	Balance April 16, 1943		Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers		Balance April 15, 1944	
	Dr.	Cr.			Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Foreign Missions, General		$ 12,165.84	$ 18,340.86	$143,528.58	$ 312.50	$114,737.70		$ 1,403.82
Foreign Missions, N.W.M.					14,122.00	14,122.00		—0—
Foreign Missions, Salaries		30,653.02	57,988.18	77,751.43	5,969.99	27,573.78		32,493.56
Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot		34.63						34.63
Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill		52.45						52.45
Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha		14.15						14.15
Girls' Boarding School, Gurdaspur		2,306.14						2,306.14
Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur		3,824.15		3,833.00		4,022.50		4,013.65
John and Jane Denham Memorial, Pathankot		553.02		432.00		878.72		999.74
Carrie M. Buchanan Memorial, Luxor		47.12				600.00		647.12
Mary Clokey Porter School, Tanta		19.78				370.00		389.78
Memorial Hospital, Sialkot		483.68	378.25	430.00		432.00		863.93
Memorial Hospital, Sialkot Building Fund		5,874.36				400.00		6,274.36
Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum		254.41	61.00	195.00		358.00		478.41
Mary B. Reid Hospital, Sargodha		23.37				12.00		35.37
Martha J. McKown Hospital, Tanta		744.87				730.00		1,474.87
George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa		605.16	707.96	907.00		696.00		1,102.12
Foreign Missions, Special		71.79	5,830.58	5,806.58		50.00		145.79
Home Missions, General		13,174.25	30,156.08	36,616.89		20,824.53		27,537.92
Indian Missions, U. S.		8,629.27	7,277.89	10,303.94		3,425.50		9,028.72
Negro Missions		4,187.91	9,983.79	27,412.08		21,192.41		7,952.03
Duke Endowment			5,081.00	4,951.29	129.71			—0—
Junior Special			2,998.86		2,998.86			—0—
Young Women's Special			7,087.50		7,087.50			—0—
Benevolence		3,964.05	4,506.86	6,051.79		1,000.00		3,419.12
Women's Association				5.00		5.00		—0—
Junior Exhibit Fund		7.00	56.12	63.12				—0—
McAuley Payments		245.20	180.00	90.00				335.20
Life Memberships, Senior		60,619.37		22,800.00	100.00	49,246.32		86,965.69
Life Memberships, Junior		17,183.27		22,000.00		8,379.00		3,517.27
[illegible]		8,951.28		11,900.00		2,100.00		51.28
[illegible]		8,418.00	4,102.88	1,722.25	[illegible]	[illegible]		7,722.70
Pension Income and Expense			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		

Pension Income and Expense			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Undistributed Income Reserve		39,979.55	57,228.69	2,739.61	110,982.16	55,764.19		39,250.66
Women's Missionary Magazine Fund				400.00		555.24		155.24
Junior Missionary Magazine Fund				1,000.00		1,040.00		40.00
India Permanent Equipment Fund		8,024.52	65.06					8,089.58
Mary Herron Home, Ramleh		1,541.41				132.00		1,673.41
Pasrur Hospital for Christians		841.90	8.18			48.00		898.08
Special Endowment		1,200.00		200.00				1,000.00
New World Movement			393.50		12,757.50	12,364.00		—0—
Frenchburg Hospital						500.00		500.00
Registration Fees			165.00	175.00		10.00		—0—
Church Loan	$ 1,425.00						1,425.00	
Frenchburg School			1,915.49	146.75		658.25		2,426.99
Total Operating Accounts	1,425.00	264,996.95	$262,145.40	$440,492.38	$196,993.41	$577,252.72	$ 1,425.00	$ 466,909.25
Annuity, Endowed, and Designated Funds	1,820,030.96	1,556,459.01	293,260.59	39,388.59	380,259.31		1,809,838.11	1,344,353.83
	$1,821,455.96	$1,821,455.96	$555,405.99	$479,880.97	$577,252.72	$577,252.72	$1,811,263.11	$1,811,263.11

Cash balance, April 15, 1943		$ 416,789.73
Receipts for the year ended April 15, 1944		555,405.99
Total		972,195.72
Disbursements for the year ended April 15, 1944	$ 479,880.97	
Balances in closed banks, written off	7,424.27	487,305.24
Cash Balance, April 15, 1944		$ 484,890.48

ANNUITIES

Agreements outstanding, April 15, 1943		$ 284,277.76
Agreements issued, April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944		16,900.00
Total		$ 301,177.76
Agreements lapsed, April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944	$ 9,500.00	
Adjustment of control to total of annuities outstanding	3,135.00	12,635.00
Agreements Outstanding, April 15, 1944		$ 288,542.76

Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Negro Missions	Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Benevolence	Contingent Fund	Isaiah	Temperance	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	162.00	254.00	84.60	40.00	43.00	33.00	25.00	16.00	35.00	15.50	27.00	43.00		778.10
Allegheny	2025.00	4636.00	1144.00	583.00	1254.00	329.00	215.00	504.00	351.00	145.00	147.00	137.00		11470.00
Argyle	64.00	418.00	432.00	19.00	31.00	16.00	45.00	86.00	18.00	31.70	18.45	23.00		1202.15
Arkansas Valley	95.00	1328.00	64.00	57.00	68.00	34.00	90.00	78.00	38.00	47.25	16.25	42.00		1957.50
Beaver Valley	900.00	1351.00	1256.75	483.00	428.00	267.00	103.00	321.00	231.00	153.42	106.26	237.00		5837.43
Big Spring	124.00		246.00	52.00	54.00	20.00	13.00	53.00	20.00	13.00	14.00	21.00		630.00
Boston	489.00	800.00	314.50	110.00	134.00	73.00	46.00	215.00	95.00	53.85	53.20	87.00		2470.55
Butler	945.00	886.00	689.25	342.00	376.00	246.00	200.50	244.00	232.00	153.80	89.00	287.18		4690.73
Caledonia	393.15	800.00	348.00	178.00	206.00	116.00	42.00	287.50	115.00	98.12	26.00	126.00		2735.77
Cedar Rapids	208.00	751.00	134.00	102.00	96.00	37.00	52.00	36.00	43.00	35.00	21.00	42.00		1557.00
Chartiers	608.25	2400.00	1047.00	256.00	317.00	175.00	138.00	521.00	192.00	155.75	87.90	224.00		6121.90
Chicago	415.73	834.60	322.00	162.00	190.00	69.91	88.07	108.00	117.91	50.05	35.20	87.91		2481.38
Cleveland	988.96	800.00	829.00	388.00	444.00	270.00	179.00	496.00	291.00	150.00	132.46	289.00		5257.42
College Springs	328.00	1026.00	85.00	47.00	68.00	37.00	53.00	33.00	41.00	36.12	23.92	41.00		1819.04
Colorado	221.00	125.00	812.00	112.00	121.00	64.00	40.63	120.00	75.00	50.45	24.50	71.00		1836.58
Concordia	85.00	20.65	45.00	20.00	41.00	2.00	5.00	12.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	2.00		236.65
Conemaugh	305.60	850.00	224.00	86.00	84.00	65.00	71.00	136.00	68.00	60.50	54.85	79.00		2083.95
Delaware	176.40	860.00	143.00	98.00	124.00	42.00	37.00	55.00	39.00	45.20	27.80	44.00		1691.40
Des Moines	77.00	800.00	49.00	30.00	40.00	24.00	49.00	31.00	25.00	33.50	21.00	25.00		1204.50
Detroit	599.81	452.00	439.00	155.00	215.00	93.00	43.00	85.00	86.00	54.60	31.11	92.00		2345.52
Hudson	208.00	809.00	125.00	47.00	51.00	26.00	39.00	56.00	34.00	33.60	15.60	32.00		1476.20
Idaho	97.00	800.00	83.00	40.00	62.00	26.00	23.00	25.00	27.00	23.00	27.48	32.00		1265.48
Illinois Southern	281.00	971.00	170.00	95.00	104.00	69.00	34.00	164.50	71.00	64.70	33.00	82.00		2139.20
Indiana	186.00	370.00	142.00	51.00	71.00	39.00	52.00	59.00	32.00	26.45	27.82	39.00		1095.27
Kansas City	124.00	1159.00	141.00	179.00	112.00	42.00	36.00	79.00	53.00	45.70	24.80	56.00		2051.50
Keokuk	69.00	548.00	141.00	42.00	41.00	30.00	9.50	7.00	29.00	28.25	19.71	58.00		1022.46
Kiskiminetas	165.00	189.00	149.00	73.00	95.00	45.00	72.00	44.00	47.00	29.80	28.00	54.00		990.80
Lake	376.50	870.00	230.00	139.00	139.00	86.00	70.00	226.50	82.00	70.45	44.85	86.00		2420.30
Los Angeles	579.00	800.00	470.00	182.00	217.00	140.00	64.00	169.00	145.00	72.70	33.75	112.00		2984.45
Mansfield	376.00	299.00	251.00	101.00	144.00	52.00	33.00	91.00	54.00	43.30	24.60	60.00		1528.90
Mercer	241.00	925.00	176.00	128.00	136.00	89.00	30.00	170.00	94.00	48.40	26.30	125.00		[illegible]
[illegible]	212.50	1050.00	172.79	108.50	122.50	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
Oklahoma	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
Oregon	85.00	800.00	81.00	58.00	53.00	43.00	25.24	28.00	50.70	31.00	24.50	47.00		[illegible]

Oregon	85.00	800.00	81.00	58.00	53.00	43.00	25.24	28.00	50.70	31.00	24.50	47.00		1326.44
Philadelphia	1,579.00	1990.00	2279.00	334.00	420.00	159.00	235.00	441.00	175.00	130.70	73.50	88.00		7904.20
Puget Sound	279.00	454.00	145.00	78.00	87.00	29.00	82.00	65.00	25.00	36.20	48.70	48.00		1376.90
Rock Island	193.00	407.00	165.00	46.00	53.00	36.00	25.00	60.00	37.00	29.55	17.15	45.00		1113.70
San Francisco	112.00	801.00	112.00	75.00	60.00	48.00	13.00	159.00	53.00	35.70	30.00	48.00		1546.70
Spokane	218.00	182.00	69.00	34.00	37.00	23.00	17.00	11.00	23.00	21.80	10.85	30.00		676.65
Steubenville	364.00	801.00	223.00	105.00	152.00	73.00	10.00	190.00	71.00	46.45	31.38	74.00		2140.83
Tennessee	110.30		25.00	11.00	46.00	5.00	10.00		7.00	19.90	16.00	6.00		256.20
Uncompahgre	52.00	41.00	30.00	17.00	16.00	12.00			10.00	4.50	14.40	10.00		206.90
Vermont	13.00	103.00	13.00	28.00	9.00	9.00			9.00	5.45	12.40	10.00		211.85
Westmoreland	507.00	1535.00	573.00	259.00	265.00	187.00	116.00	299.00	196.00	92.50	80.00	189.00		4298.50
Wheeling	364.00	900.00	271.00	117.00	195.00	70.00	37.50	236.50	83.00	41.20	34.57	67.00		2416.77
Wisconsin	133.75	247.00	163.00	69.00	84.00	46.00	25.00	31.00	54.00	34.80	12.00	53.00		952.55
Xenia	531.00	1712.60	384.00	186.00	227.00	97.00	30.00	107.00	103.00	66.00	49.00	109.00		3601.60
Warm Springs Cong. & S.S.	42.00		41.00	59.50	41.00									183.50
Christine M. Hulton Society								10.00						10.00
Avalon Congregation		600.00												600.00
Boulevard Sabbath School		533.36												533.36
Ezel Congregation			350.00											350.00
Frenchburg Congregation			593.00											593.00
Marissa Congregation		720.00												720.00
Mrs. Barbara Morrison		300.00												300.00
Rochester, N.Y. Cong. & S.S.		699.97												699.97
Sparta Congregation		800.00												800.00
Valencia Congregation		400.00												400.00
Walton, N.Y., Sabbath School		400.00												400.00
The Woods Sisters		800.00												800.00
New Wilmington W. & Y.W.M.S.		800.00												800.00
Menifee Co. Board of Edu.			4958.12											4958.12
Morgan Co. Board of Edu.			1449.28											1449.28
Parsonage Repayments						37093.61								37093.61
Returned on Loan Investments			2500.00										78864.91	81364.91
Annuities													16900.00	16900.00
Legacies													14121.68	14121.68
Investment Income													52404.19	52404.19
Pension Income													4831.56	4831.56
McAuley Payments													180.00	180.00
Martha Lockhart Mason Fund													393.50	393.50
Junior Exhibit Fund													56.12	56.12
Rosa E. Mansfield Fund													350.00	350.00
Duke Endowment					5081.00									5081.00
Sale of Property			1436.49										11586.21	13022.70
Registration Fees													165.00	165.00
A Friend	300.00													300.00
Literature Dept.	300.00													300.00
Interest	8.18		36.00							1265.54			65.06	1374.78
Refunds on Travel Advances, etc.	357.83	200.00	558.80	48.89	58.29				208.25	.36	91.56	2.77	10.22	1536.97
Individuals, Classes, etc.	3835.12	757.00	1185.94	167.00	408.00		20.00					45.00		6418.06
Totals	25318.83	57988.18	32071.52	7277.89	15064.79	41142.52	2998.86	7087.50	4476.86	4266.46	2145.48	4162.86	179930.45	383932.20
Refund of overpayments	6.00								30.00					36.00
Total Actual Receipts	25324.83	57988.18	32071.52	7277.89	15064.79	41142.52	2998.86	7087.50	4506.86	4266.46	2145.48	4162.86	179930.45	383968.20

REPORT OF

Literature Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE year has been a good one although the figures show both ups and downs. Thirty-five Literature Secretaries had tables at their presbyterials—twelve of them both spring and fall—and their sales have been exceptionally good. Much of the success of our year is due to the work of these secretaries and we here publicly express our grateful appreciation.

Next year we should like to report that 53 presbyterials have had literature exhibits.

Especially attractive interdenominational study books for 1944-1945 have been coming off the press earlier than usual this year which fact has added to the value of the literature tables at the spring meetings. We have a vital denominational interest in the study of *The Indian in American Life,* and we want to know more about *Southeast Asia* because many of our boys are there.

Prayer Cycle distribution is up once more—almost 14,000; the highest since 1940 when we reported 13,388. Some societies have reported the use of "The Upper Room" and "The Garden of Prayer" and ask if they may receive credit on the Standard of Efficiency. We would not discourage the use of these booklets. They are excellent for private and family devotions; and certainly petitions prompted by their use must be just as effective at the Throne as those prompted by the Prayer Cycle. But the Standard of Efficiency as it now stands is very definite on those points which WGMS societies should stress, and the Prayer Cycle—a WGMS publication—is the only prayer guide mentioned. May we add, it is the only publication that groups all of the missionaries of our church according to field, station, and work, in a single 10c booklet.

You will note in the record of disbursements that the Literature Department again has contributed $300 to the Egypt Literature Committee, headed by Miss Davida Finney, whose object is to furnish wholesome literature for church and school libraries and helpful books for pastors.

For the coming year, with the expectation that it will be the annual practice as long as our income permits, the Department has pledged $100 to the work of the Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature, and $50 to the Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields, Inc.

These sums will pass through the hands of the General Treasurer of the WGMS to the respective committees but will be shown in our disbursements that you may see what we are doing toward World Evangelization, which, we are convinced, leans heavily upon the ability of the individual to feed himself upon the Word and other Christian literature.

NEW SUPPLIES

Prayer Cycles	13,000
Study Books—Adult, Y. P.—Teen-Age	
Home	1,013
Foreign	1,086
Study Books—Junior	
Home	414
Foreign	141
Study Courses and Guides	
Adult	223
Junior	123
Reading Course Books other than Study	798
Junior Assorted Books	148
Leaflets printed	34,900
Purchased	849
Maps	115
Blue Print Maps (sets of 3)	100
Pamphlets	555
Cards, Budget, etc.	2,000
Contribution Envelopes	40,000
L.L.B. Supplies	2,500
Fun and Festival	55
History	500
Cuts	2

Plays	370
Games	5
Community Day Program Sets	64
Community Day Programs	800
Miscellaneous Items	33
Reading Course Items	
Certificates	600
Seals, Blue, Gold, Monogram	1,500
World Day of Prayer:	
Programs	8,000
Call to Prayer	7,000
Posters	300
Handbooks	150
History of	300

SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTED

Prayer Cycles	13,961
Study Books—Adult, Y. P., Teen-Age	
Home	838
Foreign	563
Study Books—Junior	
Home	411
Foreign	72
Study Courses and Guides	
Adult	125
Junior	88
Reading Course Books	581
Junior Assorted Books	201
Junior Manual	83
Junior Pins	66
Junior Diplomas	124
L. L. B. Supplies	410
Leaflets—Free	24,093
Leaflets—Sold	3,426
Maps	266
Pamphlets	568
Cards—Budget, etc.	1,414
Contribution Envelopes	86,687
History	89
Wall Charts—Junior	22
Efficiency Charts	68
Picture Sheets	12
Games	16
Costumes Rented	13
Along Indian Trails	46
Reading Course:	
Certificates	424
Blue Seals	214
Gold Seals	221
Monogram	308
Community Programs and Sets	864
World Day of Prayer:	
Programs	7,500
Call to Prayer	7,500
Posters	300
Handbooks	100
History of	300

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES

April 16, 1943 to April 16, 1944

Balance on Hand April 16, 1943

Union National Bank, Pgh., Pa.	$ 508.58	
Cash on hand	5.15	
Stamps on hand	20.15	$ 533.86

Cash Receipts, April 16, 1943 to April 16, 1944

Check out	$ 232.35	
Literature Sales	4,399.30½	
Union National Bank refund	9.65	$3,641.30½
		$5,175.16½

Cash Disbursements, April 16, 1943 to April 16, 1944

Literature Supplies	$2,197.16	
Printing	1,212.00	
Postage	185.34	
Office Expense	75.98	
Office Equipment	288.72	
Expressage	1.36	
R. W. Caldwell, Treas.	125.50	
Refunds	12.10	
Missionary Ed. Movement Membership	50.00	
Egypt Literature Committee	300.00	
Conference and Convention Expense	214.60	
Bank Service	9.65	$4,641.30½
Cash Balance, April 16, 1944		$ 502.75½

Composition of Cash Balance, April 16, 1944

Union National Bank	$ 485.32	
Cash and Stamps on Hand	17.43½	
		$ 502.75½

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. A. J. Randles,

Literature Secretary

REPORT OF

The Womens Missionary Magazine

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE Women's Missionary Magazine has enjoyed a year of great blessings. There were some disturbing conditions incident to war. These were all of small moment in comparison with the joy of a constant, steady subscription list, as revealed in the Treasurer's report.

It has been a satisfaction to know that the Magazine has been going to our missionaries and friends in other lands with regularity even though many months late.

The Missionary Program Theme—"Horizons" was warmly commended and 24,500 copies of the Program Calendar were distributed.

The complete file of bound copies of the Magazine was sent to the Library of Congress and graciously accepted as "a very fine gift."

There will be some minor changes in the coming year which will be understood. In the interests of paper conservation we are asked to reduce the amount of paper we use, which will mean a few smaller editions. Our blue paper, being no longer available, will make a change necessary in our cover but the content of the Magazine will maintain its usual high standard.

The pages of the Magazine have been filled with news of our work in all our fields, with discussions on the missionary program and with articles of general interest on the subject of world missions. The Board Secretaries, the missionaries and men and women over the church, busy people borne down with many cares, have been most generous in their contributions. As these all serve without any compensation we know they have made their contributions as a love offering to the Master.

To all who have in any way contributed to the preparation of the Magazine, to the large number of workmen through whose hands the work is done, to the Literature Secretaries who have maintained its circulation we express our thanks. Above all we thank God, that while Christian work has been disrupted in many lands we have had the glad privilege of sending out our monthly messenger to inform the church and to hold up Christ as the only way of salvation for the troubled peoples of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. John P. White, Editor

TREASURER'S REPORT

THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

Year Ending April 15, 1944

Cash balance, April 16, 1943		$ 1,144.17
Receipts		
Magazine subscriptions	$11,922.82	
Programs and Literature Secretary record books	1,141.42	
Tributes	163.00	
Women's Board share of cost of annual report number	1,200.00	
Interest on Memorial Funds	400.00	
Contributions to bind volumes of magazine for Congressional Library	50.00	
Miscellaneous	90.35	14,967.59

Disbursements

Printing and mailing magazine	$ 8,295.64	
Paper, including storage	3,172.09	
Cuts	214.63	
Programs	508.50	
Telephone	122.16	
Postage	200.00	
Miscellaneous printing and stationery	133.50	
Honorariums	50.00	
Editor's salary	1,130.00	
Treasurer's salary	375.00	
Extra clerical help	236.00	
Deposit with postmaster to guarantee postage	100.00	
Miscellaneous	257.34	14,794.86
Cash balance, April 15, 1944		$ 1,316.90

I have examined the recorded cash transactions of Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer of The Womens Missionary Magazine of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, for the year ended April 15, 1944. The receipts and disbursements for the year, as shown by the cashbook, were reconciled with deposits and checks paid as shown by bank statements and the cashbook balance at April 15, 1944, was reconciled with the balance shown by the bank statement. The accompanying statement has been prepared from the books and records examined.

May 1, 1944
Pittsburgh, Pa.

John N. Hepburn,
Accountant

REPORT OF

Junior Missionary Magazine

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

WITH the December 1943 issue, the Junior Missionary Magazine completes its forty-fifth volume. Forty-five volumes of missionary stories and information. How interesting to take time and re-read some of these volumes, and to look into the faces of former junior life member pictures that brightened many pages!

Names underneath the pictures bring to mind men and women who today are active in the work of our dear United Presbyterian Church; also bring to mind missionaries who today are serving in lands far away and in the homeland.

We are so grateful and happy that now we are permitted to carry on in the planning and editing of this same Junior Missionary Magazine started by devoted, consecrated leaders forty-five years ago. God grant that we may do our best for the girls and boys of today.

Because of the many words of appreciation and commendation received from regular subscribers we believe this Magazine is meeting a real need. We believe that the missionary education of our children is helped by the use of this monthly publication.

At this time we want to extend our thanks to our regular contributors who so faithfully carry on from month to month—

To Mrs. Hartlieb, the writer of "Lesson Notes." Truly she makes these practical and quite adaptable to the different age groups;

To Mrs. Oyler for the story for the monthly missionary meeting. Last year's series "And Now America" helped in emphasizing the great need of evangelistic work in the homeland. "Neighbors" and "S Curve" were good stories, too;

To Agnes Ballantyne for that interesting story "Princess Becomes Peace";

To all our dear missionaries who took time to send us so many short stories and sketches that help make interesting junior meetings;

To the Board Secretaries for letters and material, and to the Temperance and Reform Department for financing the special October issue;

To the John Crawford Park Printing Company for the many courtesies extended, and to all others who have had a part in the publishing of this forty-fifth volume.

God bless and richly reward you in this labor of love for the children of the Church.

Because of war conditions the printing company was forced to increase the price of printing the Magazine but to date we have not increased the subscription price. You can help by increasing our subscription list. Many of the children of our Church are not receiving this monthly magazine. Are yours?

The price is low—twenty-five cents a year for a single subscription, or fifteen cents each per year if in clubs of ten or more to one address and beginning with the same issue.

The following is a list of subscriptions (June first) by States—

Pennsylvania	2,794
Ohio	1,025
Iowa	359
Illinois	355
New York	229
Kansas	200
Michigan	180
California	156
Colorado	148
Massachusetts	135
Alabama	110
Oregon	105
Washington	83
Wisconsin	73
New Jersey	68
Indiana	63
Missouri	62
Nebraska	59
North Carolina	56
Idaho	55
Tennessee	54
Kentucky	46
Washington, D. C.	38
Oklahoma	30
Virginia	20
Rhode Island	13
Wyoming	12
West Virginia	11
Maryland	10
Florida	1
Minnesota	1
New Mexico	1
Out of States:	
India	19
Egypt	7
Sudan	6
Canada	1
Ceylon	1

Is your State doing its best? Let's work for more subscriptions.

Respectfully submitted,
(*Mrs. J. M.*) *Claribel Matthews Heagen,* Editor

SHALL CHILDREN CHOOSE?

"A visitor in the home of Coleridge argued strongly against the religious instruction of the young and declared his own determination not to 'prejudice' his children in favor of any form of religion, but to allow them, at maturity, to choose for themselves.

"The answer of Coleridge was pertinent and sound: 'Why prejudice a garden in favor of flowers and fruit? Why not let the clods choose for themselves between cockleburs and strawberries?' "

Prebyterian Record

REPORT OF

Junior Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THROUGH the gracious and efficient work of Mrs. Hutchison and Miss Little the Junior Statistical Report has been prepared for another year. The prolonged illness of the Junior Secretary incapacitated her for the tedious compilation.

Happily, every Presbyterial report came in before the deadline, some just making port via air and special delivery. We are thankful for complete registry, but regret that some Presbyterials omitted several items, thus causing discrepancies in figures. Some did not note the number of Life Members, others Junior Magazines or Standard of Efficiency. Our thanks go to the careful and devoted work of most of the secretaries.

One is sorry to open with disappointment, but once again Junior membership, the index of Missionary endeavor, has declined. This year 470 societies report a membership of 9,838 compared with 489 societies with 10,141 members in 1943,—a loss of 19 societies and 303 members. The Little Light Bearers suffered a more severe setback—72 societies with 746 members, conpared with 84 societies and 1,126 members in 1943, indicating a loss of 8 societies and 380 members. This comes despite the rising birth rate which should swing favorably toward Little Light Bearers.

Wherein lie the causes for these losses? Perhaps gasoline rationing has made for hardship in some sections. But from letters received from Presbyterial and local leaders the chief cause is lack of willing leadership. In the great "busyness" of the present day, perspective is lost. What can be more important for the future than the present spiritual instruction of the child?

Thirteen new societies are reported, several of which are vital, thriving organizations. Presbyterial secretaries can find a fertile field of enterprise in the establishment and encouragement of new Junior organizations. 1,108 Juniors have been graduated and 814 have become church members. There were 97 Prayer Circles this year compared with 114 last year and 119 in 1942. Probably the frequent consolidation of Junior Church and Junior Missionary accounts for the drop in Prayer Circles, when the time for worship is so limited. If there is no Prayer Circle, the Prayer Cycle should certainly be used in some way during the devotional period.

Again this year only 3 Presbyterials qualify as Class I for having membership of over 500. These are Allegheny, Cleveland and Monongahela. The cup for increased membership goes to Allegheny with a gain of 1%. Unfortunately both Cleveland and Monongahela are slipping. The award in Class II goes to New York with 70%. Cedar Rapids with 68% and Xenia with 50% deserve honorable mention.

Although only 5,224 Junior Magazines subscriptions were reported, we are glad to note that, when the number printed in October was cut to 5,750 it was necessary to bring it back to 6,250 in November, in order to meet the demand. $900 was received from subscriptions. The Junior Magazine is a "must" for an active Junior society, and its low cost of 15¢ per subscription in Clubs of 10 or more brings it within range of practically all societies. Let us strive toward our goal of a Junior Magazine in the home of each Junior.

Many societies are not using the Foreign and Home texts. These, with material offered in The Womens Missionary Magazine and The Junior Missionary Magazine comprise the program study for the Juniors. As the program is the kernel of the society, every available source should be utilized in order to instill Missions into the minds and hearts of the Juniors during their formative years.

We are delighted to record the increase in contributions, with a grand total of $19,000.22, indicating a gain of $3,355.99 over last year. The Seven Departments received $3,070 and the Junior Special lacked only $1.14 of achieving $3,000. Its goal was $2,500. Of this Special $800 was disbursed for the salary of Miss Mary Ewing, R.N., and $2,198.86 for the support of Village Schools in India. For this new year the same amount, $2,500 is asked. The Special will continue the salary of Miss Ewing, and as a new project, maintain the "Ibis" for the promotion of children's work in Egypt. The Little Light Bearers Fund of $253.25 goes to the Children's Ward in Sialkot Hospital. The Thank Offering is reported as $12,176.81 and Mrs. Baird notes 719 Junior Life Members, a splendid increase of 156 over last year.

The average Standard of Efficiency Rating is up 1%, thus reaching 57%. 21 societies attained the 100% goal and 19 reached 95%. Idaho has the highest rating, 86%, so to Idaho goes the banner.

India and Egypt report a total of 46 Junior Societies with 2,845 members.

The future of the W.G.M.S. lies in the Junior Missionary Society. Upon each Presbyterial Secretary rests the responsibility for doing her utmost through prayer and hard work to establish a Junior Society in each congregation. Bible School teachers can assist by directing the children into Juniors. Above all, are you certain that you are not the Junior leader who is so badly needed?

"A builder builded a temple,
He wrought with grace and skill;
Pillars and groins and arches
All fashioned to work his will.
Men said they saw its beauty,
"It shall never know decay;
Great is thy skill, O builder!
Thy fame shall endure for aye."

A teacher builded a temple
With loving and infinite care,
Planning each arch with patience,
Laying each stone with prayer.
None praised her unceasing efforts,
None knew of her wondrous plan,
For the temple the teacher builded
Was unseen by the eyes of man.

Gone is the builder's temple,
Crumbled into dust;
Low lies each stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
But the temple the teacher builded
Will last while the ages roll,
For the beautiful unseen temple
Is a child's immortal soul."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Pauline M. Haas.

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HELPING A CHILD

"I helped a little child to see
That God had made a willow tree;
And He became more real to me.

"I joined a junior child in prayer,
And as we bowed in worship there,
I felt anew God's loving care.

"Lord, keep me ever quick to see
By guiding children we find Thee."

Selected

REPORT OF

Young Women's Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

"Yesterday is gone; forget it.
Tomorrow never comes; why worry?

TODAY is here; get busy—so runs the verse. In spite of the assertions in these lines, we find a real value in placing a report of yesterday before us today as a challenge,—an encouragement to work harder.

Although some societies have suffered loss and perhaps some societies have died out due to girls and young women taking places in war work or families have moved away to establish a home near the war plant area, yet the reported membership is just twenty-five short of last year's report, or 10,851 in 607 societies.

35 new societies were formed during the year. (See copies of the Magazines for the year, '43-'44 for their names.) Loss has been sustained in that 28 societies were disbanded, 9 were transferred to the senior division or merged with another group, and 40 societies sent in no report. Will not delegates and other interested parties try to rouse the inactive organizations to the desire to be a blessing to the cause of missions?

You may be interested in some compiled statistics as furnished on the annual society and presbyterial blanks:

A COMPARATIVE STUDY

	1943	1944
No. of members	10,876	10,851
No. over 20 years of age	6,550	6,912
No. under 20 years of age	1,893	2,132
No. eligible but not in a society	2,058	1,802
No. Reading Course participants	1,380	1,116
No. Magazine readers	4,134	4,334
No. having Prayer Cycles	3,290	4,506
No. Prayer Circles	295	300
Av. attendance at meetings	5,472	5,960
Percentage attending	50	54
No. societies reporting efficiency	522	508
General average—percent	52	55

Efficiency

If all societies were careful in computing their efficiency and reported promptly, a much higher rating would be possible. All reports should be in the hands of the general secretary by *April* 15. Every low-rating or non-reporting society lowers the general average. Begin now (the summer of 1944) to make sure your record.

Societies rating 90 to 100 per cent: 100—1st Allegheny Mary C. Porter; Boston Anna E. Stoddard; Grove City Non Nobis Guild; Prospect Jessie Johnson; 1st Washington YW; 6th Cleveland Wilma Forrester; Elyria YW; Struthers Poland Ave. YW; Pueblo Queen Esthers; Whittier Willa Ramsey; Brooklyn Blvd. YW; Tulsa Willa Ramsey; Drexel Hill Alice Hill; Fairhill YW; Fresno Mildred Robb; 1st San Francisco Frances Gibson.

97—1st Allegheny Girls' M.C.; 3rd New Castle Loyal D. of the K; South Park Talibah; Mt. Prospect Agnes Murray; Albia Francena Barnes C.; Brown Ave. M. Munn Chapter; Salinas Grace Fraser C.

95—New Brighton Nellie Harris; Providence Clara Brown Friendship C; Taylorstown M. Harsha; West Middletown K.Ds.; Alliance S. E. Dickey; 2nd Cleveland Wilma Minteer; Lakewood Dora Whitely; 2nd Spokane Bamba C.

92—Clarion Elsie French; Goldfield Alta French Guild; Peter's Creek Synerga; Torrington Ruth Ardrey; Crete Clara Henderson; Greenville Hazel Acheson; Lisbon Girls' Rainbow Circle.

90—6th Allegheny Carolyn Blackwood; Hutchinson Ray Huffman C; Beaver Maxwell; Boyden Edna Pollock C; 2nd Washington A. Y. Thompson Soc.; West Middletown E. Eagleson; 1st Akron M. Ewing; 6th Cleveland YW Guild; So. Youngstown Dr. M. White; Andes M. Ella Turnbull; Drayton Plains Pearl Sutton; Nampa Gemma; 1st Erie K.D.s; Canton Bedford Ave. Corena Daugherty; Sharon YW; Homewood, Pittsburgh, YW; Greensburg A. Milligan; Rock Prairie Blanche Beattie; Neil Ave. M. Buchanan.

Did your society and presbyterial support the work of the WGMS to which we are pledged consistently?

	1943	1944
To the 7 Departments	442	432
To Foreign Salaries	264	256
To Y.W. Special Fund (Treas. account)	459	461
No. societies meeting askings	205	239
To Presbyterial Expense Fund	312	285
To WGMS Expense Fund	304	281
To Isaiah 41:6 Fund	257	250
To Expense Funds (not divided)	102	123
To Thank Offering	552	533

YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL FUND

Permanent support of Pasrur G.B.S.,—askings, $4,000. *Salaries* of four missionaries—askings, approximately $4,000. (Receipts in the treasurer's account did not reach the full amount asked). Missionaries,—Mary Coie, The Sudan; Mrs. Eva J. Adams, R.N., Jubilee hospital, Henderson, N.C.; Matron of dormitory, Frenchburg, Ky.; Beth Johnstone, Tacoma, Wash.

461 societies paid in to this fund. Had the non-participating societies contributed as much in proportion, there would have been enough and to spare!

We look forward eagerly to the report on finances. This year showed an increased of more than $10,000. We are happy about this.

STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS (Comparative)

		1943	1944
Seven Departments	Foreign Missions	$ 3,152.00	$ 3,486.00
	Home Missions	3,090.00	3,230.00
	Negro Missions	1,551.00	1,875.00
	Indian Missions	1,317.00	1,527.00
	Parsonage	837.00	1,041.00
	Benevolence Fund	926.00	1,130.00
	Temperance and Reform	928.00	1,047.00
		11,801.00	13,336.00
	Foreign Salaries	6,632.00	7,941.00
	Y.W. Special (Treas.' acc't)	6,638.27	7,087.50
	Expense Funds	2,432.34	2,439.74
		15,712.61	17,468.24
	Total	27,503.61	30,804.24
	Thank Offering (1942)	33,020.53	39,946.63
		$ 60,524.14	$ 70,750.87

The average gift was $6.51, divided as follows:—$2.82 to objects other than the Thank Offering; to the Thank Offering, $3.69.

Foreign Field Reports

India—15 societies in five presbyterials. Membership, 394. Offerings, $28.05; Thank Offering, $91.60. Total, $119.65.

Egypt—5 societies in four presbyterials. Membership, 507. Offerings, $124.50; Thank Offering, $503.90. Total, 628.40.

The Sudan—3 societies in one presbyterial. Funds gathered in all these countries are disbursed abroad.

Missionary society work is a worthy task. Is it the rule to do it well? "A worth while task well done is followed by the joy of victory."

Respectfully submitted,

Ida B. Little

REPORT OF

Temperance and Reform Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE main function of the Temperance and Reform Department of the W.G.M.S. is education. To this end we sponsor the Temperance issue of the Junior Missionary Magazine, as well as supply quantities of material to our societies free for postage. During the past year 31,239 leaflets were sent out. On our page in the Women's Missionary Magazine we seek to give information and make suggestions which will create interest and inspire action. This page is our only means of reaching the local societies directly; therefore it is a bit discouraging to find that in a number of presbyterials only a few of the local secretaries read it.

This year we have been particularly concerned with the alarming rise in juvenile delinquency. Of the 47 presbyterials reporting, 23 listed this as one of their most pressing problems. However the reports showed little or no temperance work done in the Sabbath School and church. We have had requests for only six Junior packets during the past year. Surely we realize the importance of an adequate program of instruction in these days when temptations are so great and Christian education is our only sure means of defense. "Inasmuch as ye did it *not* unto one of the least of these. . ."

We are grateful for the keen interest shown by most of the presbyterial secretaries, and shall endeavor to profit by the helpful suggestions and constructive criticism which they offered, particularly in regard to material for Juniors and young people.

The funds received by the Treasurer for this department amounted to $4,162.86. In addition to the usual grants of money to the Temperance Committees of our foreign fields, a special contribution of three hundred dollars was sent to Mrs. F. S. Hoyman of Egypt, one hundred to be used for work among the soldiers on leave and two hundred for the regular Temperance work.

This year, for the first time, a donation of five hundred dollars was sent to the American Business Men's Research Foundation, an organization whose object is "to collect, correlate and disseminate information regarding alcohol and alcoholic products, their manufacture, sale and use for beverage, industrial or other purposes and their relation to the health and well-being of the people of the United States." You may have seen their advertisements, cartoons, or news releases in your local papers.

Since 1944 is election year, we try to miss no opportunity to emphasize the importance of each Christian citizen assuming his full share in the struggle to make and keep United States a truly Christian nation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. B. Warren,

Secretary of Temperance
and Reform.

REPORT OF

Prayer Groups

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

TO the unlimited power of prayer let us resort . . . In prayer we may have spiritual comradeship . . . with all those in every land who long for a new world 'wherein dwelleth righteousness.' . . . Therefore, pray daily for the Church, Christ's Church for which He gave His life." These excerpts from the message of the 1943 General Assembly to the Church have been a challenge and a stimulus to us in our prayer life during the past year.

Members of our Prayer Groups and Prayer Circles have met regularly to pray not only for our Church, but also for the cause of Christ everywhere. These Groups and Circles now total 1,030. Of this number, 617 are sponsored by Women's societies; 300 by Young Women's; 97 by Junior societies; and 16 by presbyterial organizations. This shows a gain of 43 for the year. Despite the fact that rubber and gasoline shortage has interfered with meetings, the attendance at all meetings of Groups and Circles during the year totals approximately one hundred thousand.

The tenth annual observance of Prayer Around the World, a simultaneous world-wide intercession of our members, missionaries, and friends, was widely observed on June 18, 1943. Most of the presbyterials report inspirational meetings on their Day of Prayer.

Our missionaries at home and overseas continue to send letters to the Presbyterial Prayer Group secretaries that our united prayers may be more defiinite and intelligent.

The devotion of faithful Presbyterial Prayer Group secretaries is reflected in encouraging letters and reports: one has a slogan, "A Prayer *Group* in every congregation"; one said she intended to "urge and encourage" improvement; one reported special meetings to pray for boys in our armed forces; one enclosed a most attractive Prayer Group program-folder; and one wrote, "Not for the sake of efficiency marks, but for a greater sufficiency of the Spirit's Power in our service shall be our aim for 1944-1945."

Our prayer for the future is that our lives may be consistent with our prayers.

"Thrice blest whose lives are faithful
prayers,
Whose loves in higher love endure;
What souls possess themselves so
pure,
Or is there blessedness like theirs?"

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton,
Secretary of Prayer Groups.

REPORT OF

Thank Offering Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

NEXT to the blessing of a pure heart is the blessing of a thankful heart.

The Psalmist said: "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth." Praise and thanksgiving are to be expressed all through the year.

Gratefully dwelling on a gift multiplies and magnifies it.

Someone has well said: "The fragrant flower of thanksgiving which blossoms in the heart of God's people is a result of a little bud called praise which is firmly affixed to the stem and stalk of Christian faith." This faith was manifested in our Thank Offering year.

In spite of the stress and strain of war days the members of our societies have found many reasons for praise and thanksgiving.

All presbyterials united in an anthem of praise, abounding in thanksgiving, as the accumulated gifts of the days of the year were presented in the annual Thank Offering service.

In reviewing the reports we find great joy in recounting the manifested spirit of expressing gratitude in an increasing number of societies and presbyterials.

Only fifty-four of the one thousand nine hundred twenty-four societies failed to report. In thirty-two Presbyterials every society gave a Thank Offering and reported same on time.

They are as follows:

1. Cleveland—Twenty-seventh year
2. Wisconsin—Twenty-sixth year
3. Uncompahgre—Twenty-second year
4. Spokane—Seventeenth year
5. Delaware—Fifteenth year
6. Oklahoma—Fifteenth year
7. Philadelphia—Twelfth year
8. Lake—Eleventh year
9. Westmoreland—Eleventh year
10. Des Moines—Tenth year
11. Argyle—Fourth year
12. Idaho—Fourth year
13. Monmouth—Fourth year
14. Monongahela—Fourth year
15. Nebraska—Fourth year
16. Vermont—Fourth year
17. Wheeling—Fourth year
18. Los Angeles—Third year
19. Beaver Valley—Second year
20. Butler—Second year
21. Kansas City—Second year
22. Xenia—Second year
23. Allegheny—First year
24. Boston—First year
25. Caledonia—First year
26. Cedar Rapids—First year
27. Colorado—First year
28. Illinois Southern—First year
29. Indiana—First year
30. Keokuk—First year
31. Kiskiminetas—First year
32. Ohio Northwestern—First year

Presbyterials deserving honorable mention lacking one society of being one hundred per cent are: Arkansas Valley, College Springs, Detroit, New York, Ohio First, Oregon, Steubenville, and Tennessee.

Presbyterials which lacked two societies of having a perfect record are: Big Spring, Chicago, Hudson, Mansfield, and San Francisco.

Each of the fifty-two Presbyterials and thirteen hundred twenty-five societies increased their offering of the previous year.

One hundred forty-nine Women's and Young Women's societies doubled last year's offering.

One hundred ninety-six Junior societies are on the Junior Honor Roll for having averaged one dollar or more per member.

Sixty-nine societies gave a Thank Offering for the first time.

With grateful hearts we report that the 1943 Thank Offering is $172,105.35, an increase of $29,590.43.

Total number of supplies distributed was 238,352 pieces, an increase of 15,341.

Senior Life Members, 761—an increase of 118; Junior Life Members, 719—an increase of 156; Life Directors, 12—an increase of 5.

The Thank Offering of India is $939.60, an increase of $99.90 over the previous year. Of this amount $778.00 was Senior, $91.60 Young Women's and $70.00 was the Junior Offering.

The Thank Offering of Egypt is $5,691.49, an increase of $839.06 over the previous year. The Women's Thank Offering amounted to $4,066.27, Young Women's—$490.38; Juniors'—$1,134.84.

The Sudan reported a Thank Offering of L. E. 30 or $150.00, the best yet given.

The offerings of our foreign fields do not pass through the hands of the General Treasurer and are not included in the Total Thank Offering.

God is continuing "His goodness and tender mercies." May we daily express our gratitude to Him.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. O. H. Milligan,
Thank Offering Secretary.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE 1943 *THANK OFFERING*

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Women's General Missionary Society, Tuesday, June 6, 1944, the following distribution of the 1943 Thank Offering was made:

Foreign Missions	$ 90,000.00
Home Missions	21,500.00
Indian Missions	5,000.00
Negro Missions	21,500.00
Benevolence	1,500.00
Junior Missionary Magazine	1,500.00
Life Directorships	3,600.00
Senior Life Memberships	19,025.00
Junior Life Memberships	7,190.00
Foreign Salary—(Designated)	123.00
Foreign Specials—(Designated)	190.60
Benevolence—(Designated)	5.00
Contingent Fund	971.75
Total	$172,105.35

REPORT OF THE 1943 *THANK OFFERING BY PRESBYTERIALS*

Albany	$ 1,186.20
Allegheny	10,987.10
Argyle	1,812.06
Arkansas Valley	2,506.39
Beaver Valley	7,179.74
Big Spring	1,035.89
Boston	3,451.10
Butler	6,373.81
Caledonia	3,102.93
Cedar Rapids	1,527.15
Chartiers	6,968.53
Chicago	2,712.85
Cleveland	10,212.75
College Springs	1,528.63
Colorado	2,476.23
Conemaugh	3,065.35
Delaware	2,759.01
Des Moines	1,603.82
Detroit	2,820.32
Hudson	1,635.08
Idaho	879.10
Illinois Southern	2,462.47
Indiana	1,858.81
Kansas City	2,282.18
Keokuk	1,728.51
Kiskiminetas	2,050.58
Lake	3,051.97
Los Angeles	4,455.01
Mansfield	1,991.79
Mercer	3,252.81
Monmouth	2,998.19
Monongahela	16,695.84

Muskingum	3,314.88
Nebraska	1,408.30
New York	657.21
Ohio First	3,041.04
Ohio Northwestern	1,431.70
Oklahoma	558.54
Oregon	1,268.71
Philadelphia	14,474.12
Puget Sound	2,411.87
Rock Island	1,419.68
San Francisco	2,247.18
Spokane	907.94
Steubenville	3,990.60
Tennessee	801.46
Uncompahgre	245.25
Vermont	374.70
Westmoreland	6,640.94
Wheeling	2,015.35
Wisconsin	1,441.00
Xenia	3,419.65
Total	$170,732.32
Christine M. Hutton M. S.	25.50
Mrs. Carl Starks	25.00
Mrs. C. L. DePriest	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. William Pinkerton	25.00
Mrs. Rosa B. Mansfield	30.00
Friends of Missions	50.00
Kathryn Beattie	10.00
Friends	25.00
Tahoma Terrace Cong. and S. S.	41.64
Convention Offering	157.27
Sale of Supplies	144.00
Income Mary Clokey Porter Bequest	368.97
Total	$171,659.70
Interest	445.65
Grand Total	$172,105.35

The Presbyterials in Egypt report the following Thank Offering:

Thebes	$ 570.31
Assiut	1,129.86
Mallawi	91.10
Middle Egypt	713.39
The Delta	3,186.83
Total	$5,691.49

Of this amount $4,066.27 was the Senior Thank Offering, $490.38 Young Women's and $1,134.84 Junior.

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THE GOD OF OUR FATHERS

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to everlasting day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

Daniel C. Roberts

DESIGNATIONS OF THE 1943 THANK OFFERINGS

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Special	Foreign Salary	Senior Life Memberships	Junior Life Memberships	Life Directorships	Benevolence	Contingent Fund	Total
Albany			$ 175.00	$ 30.00				$ 205.00
Allegheny			1400.00	480.00	300.00			2180.00
Argyle			75.00	20.00				95.00
Arkansas Valley			500.00	270.00				770.00
Beaver Valley			1000.00	280.00				1280.00
Big Spring			50.00	70.00				120.00
Boston			400.00	110.00				510.00
Butler			800.00	450.00				1250.00
Caledonia			200.00	30.00				230.00
Cedar Rapids			100.00	20.00				120.00
Chartiers			725.00	590.00				1315.00
Chicago			275.00	120.00				395.00
Cleveland			1725.00	570.00	300.00			2595.00
College Springs			75.00					75.00
Colorado			325.00	100.00				425.00
Conemaugh			225.00	90.00				315.00
Delaware	30.00	123.00	300.00	40.00	300.00			793.00
Des Moines			150.00	60.00				210.00
Detroit			250.00	40.00				290.00
Hudson			300.00	10.00				310.00
Idaho			150.00	30.00				180.00
Illinois Southern			300.00	20.00				320.00
Indiana			150.00	40.00				190.00
Kansas City			325.00	90.00				415.00
Keokuk			225.00	60.00				285.00
Kiskiminetas			150.00	130.00				280.00
Lake			125.00	120.00				245.00
Los Angeles			850.00	240.00				1090.00
Mansfield			350.00	80.00				430.00
Mercer			275.00	130.00				405.00
Monmouth			275.00	80.00				355.00
Monongahela	50.00		1250.00	1050.00	600.00			2950.00
Muskingum	100.00		350.00	50.00	300.00			800.00
Nebraska			125.00	30.00				155.00
Ohio First			450.00	160.00				610.00
Ohio Northwestern			150.00	180.00				330.00
Oklahoma			125.00	70.00				195.00
Oregon			50.00					50.00
Philadelphia			1450.00	550.00	1500.00			3500.00
Puget Sound			350.00	10.00				360.00
Rock Island			100.00	20.00				120.00
San Francisco			425.00	60.00		5.00		490.00
Spokane			125.00	30.00				155.00
Steubenville	10.60		475.00	90.00				575.60
Uncompahgre			50.00					50.00
Westmoreland			500.00	330.00				830.00
Wheeling			100.00	20.00				120.00
Wisconsin			150.00		300.00			450.00
Xenia			475.00	140.00				615.00
Miscellaneous			100.00					100.00
Sale of Supplies							144.00	144.00
Interest							445.65	445.65
Totals	$190.60	$123.00	$19025.00	$7190.00	$3600.00	$ 5.00	$589.65	$30,723.25

THE GOLDEN MERCY SEAT

"And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof. And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat. . . And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be. And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark shalt thou put the testimony that I shall give thee. *And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat,* from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel."

Exodus 25:17-22

Senior Life Members 1943 Thank Offering

Abbott, Mrs. Mary E.
Ackleson, Mrs. T. Lee
Adams, Mrs. Charles B.
Akehurst, Mrs. C. S.
Alderfer, Mrs. Viola
Alford, Mrs. Ira
Allen, Mrs. L. A.
Allen, Mrs. Mary
Allen, Mrs. S. J.
Amstutz, Mrs. Clayton
Anderson, Mrs. Beulah
Anderson, Edna
Anderson, Mrs. Grace
Anderson, Mrs. Janet
Anderson, Mrs. J. B.
Anderson, Mrs. Lillian
Anderson, Lois R.
Anderson, Mrs. Robert
Anderson, Mrs. Russell J.
Anderson, Mrs. Ruth
Anderson, Mrs. Thomas
Anderson, Mrs. William
Anger, Mrs. Albert
Armstrong, Mrs. Thomas V.
Arnold, Mrs. Henry
Aspden, Mrs. Pearl
Atkinson, Rebecca W.
Ault, Ethel
Avenell, Robert L.— In Memoriam

Backosky, Mrs. Mary
Baird, Nettie I.
Bakie, Mrs. Ruth
Bald, Mrs. Mary A.— In Memoriam
Barbour, Mrs. Jennie R.
Barnes, Mrs. Charlotte
Barnes, Mrs. H. O.
Barnes, Mrs. Marjorie
Barnett, Mrs. Gayle S.
Barnett, Margaret
Barnhart, Mrs. L. C.
Barto, Mrs. Harvey F.
Bauersacks, Mrs. R. E.
Beeks, Mrs. Roy W.
Behling, Mrs. Roy
Beighley, Mrs. Aaron— In Memoriam
Beight, Mrs. John
Bell, Mrs. Elizabeth
Bell, Mrs. Russel
Benner, Mrs. Carl L.
Beorn, Mrs. Fred
Berberich, Mrs. Ida
Berry, Minnie J.
Bessey, Vivian M.
Beveridge, Mrs. Mary
Bishop, Mrs. W. E.
Bissett, Mrs. Davis
Bixby, Mrs. Evalyn
Black, Mrs. Katherine
Black, Mary
Blacksill, Mrs. Helen
Blumeyer, Mrs. Mildred
Bonnema, Mrs. Wm.
Book, Mrs. M. P.
Borland, Mrs. Martha
Borland, Rose
Borland, Sarah
Bowden, Dorothy C.
Bower, Mrs. Edgar C.
Bowie, Mrs. M. W.
Boynton, Mrs. C. O.
Bridwell, Mrs. W. H.
Brigham, Mrs. Alvira B.
Bronson, Mrs. Ella
Brooks, Mrs. Chester
Brown, Mrs. Charles
Brown, Mrs. Charlie
Brown, Mrs. Elizabeth— In Memoriam
Brown, Elizabeth G.
Brown, Helen Elizabeth
Brown, Mrs. Lee H.
Brown, Margaret
Brown, Mrs. Margaret
Brown, Virginia Liggitt
Brown, Mrs. Walter E.
Brown, Mrs. W. G.
Brownlee, Mrs. John C.
Bruce, Mrs. Yancy J.
Brush, Ruth Eva
Buckley, Mrs. Fred
Bunn, Mrs. Ruth E.
Burch, Mrs. Florence
Burley, Mrs. H. S.
Burnside, Mrs. Sarah
Burrows, Bessie
Bush, Mrs. Fred
Butler, Mrs. Mary
Byall, Mrs. Edith E.
Byall, Eleanor
Byrne, Mrs. Hayden G.

Cadman, Mrs. C. S.
Cameron, Mrs. J. M.
Campbell, Mrs. E. A.
Campbell, Jean Wells
Canagher, Mrs. John
Carlson, Mrs. Arnold
Carnes, Mrs. Elizabeth
Carpenter, Frances W.
Carr, Mrs. James
Carr, Mrs. N. A.
Carson, Mrs. Sam
Case, Mrs. Jessie S. (Mrs. R. D.)
Casner, Mrs. Glenna
Caukin, Mrs. Wanda
Cereghino, Mrs. Angela
Chaney, Mrs. H. D.
Chapin, Mrs. Frank M.
Chicka, Mrs. Anna Mae
Chisholm, Mrs. W. O.
Christopher, Mrs. Sarah
Clark, Mrs. Harry M.
Clark, Kathryn
Clark, Mrs. Lawrence
Clarke, Mrs. William M.
Cleland, Mrs. R. H.
Clem, Mildred
Close, Dorothy
Cochran, Mrs. Lee
Cokain, Mrs. Helen
Colbert, Mrs. Olive
Collier, Mrs. Grace
Colvin, Mrs. Samuel— In Memoriam
Conell, Evelyn
Confer, Mrs. William
Conley, Mrs. Edwin
Conley, Mrs. Pearl
Conner, Mrs. Bessie
Cook, Helen Evelyn
Cook, Ruth Hazel
Cook, Mrs. William
Cooke, Mrs. Herbert
Cooke, Mrs. Montgomery— In Memoriam
Corbit, Mrs. John
Cottrell, Mrs. H. E.
Courtney, Mrs. Marie
Cowden, Mrs. Nettie
Cowden, Mrs. Eleanor
Cowell, Jane
Cowling, Mary Adams
Cowling, Sara Adams
Cox, Mrs. Glenna F.
Craig, Mrs. Laura
Crawford, Mrs. Charles B.
Croft, Mrs. Eliz. Miller— In Memoriam
Crozier, Elizabeth
Cully, Mrs. Henry
Cumming, Mrs. Thomas
Curtis, Mrs. Manilla
Curtiss, Mrs. Josephine

Dager, Mrs. Harry
Dangers, Betty
Datt, Mrs. Thomas
Davidson, Mrs. Ella S.
Davidson, Mrs. Nellie M.
Davis, Vera B.
Davis, Mrs. Wm. T.
Davison, Miriam L.
Delasin, Mrs. Ella
Dever, Mrs. Charles C.
Dick, Mrs. Lelia
Dick, Mrs. M. C.
Dickson, Jennie
Dickson, Mrs. Katherine
Dickson, Mrs. Laura S.
Dickson, Mrs. Ralph
Dill, Mrs. Arthur
Dinsmore, Mrs. Paul M.
Dixon, Mrs. W. R.
Dixson, Mrs. Joseph
Donaldson, Estella
Donaldson, Jeannette
Donaldson, Sallie C.— In Memoriam
Dougherty, Estelle

Doutt, Mrs. George W.
Dumbaugh, Mrs. C. W.
Dunlap, Dorothy
Dunlap, Mrs. Hugh

Earl, Mrs. Louis
Eastman, Mrs. Fred
Eastwood, Edna Mae
Eastwood, Mrs. Roy
Eaton, Mrs. John Van
Eckert, Ella
Edgar, Mrs. Paul
Ehrich, Mrs. H. F.
Eisele, Mrs. Margaret—
  In Memoriam
Ekstedt, Mrs. Henry
Elliot, Mrs. E. A.
Elliot, Mrs. Howard
Ellis, Mrs. Ruth Fraser
Engle, Mrs. J. G.
Engle, Mabel
Englehart, Mrs. Mary E.
Erlsten, Mrs. Anne
Evans, Mrs. Frank L.
Evans, Martha Jo Anne
Ewing, Mrs. Emma

Fackiner, Mrs E. A.
Fairfield, Mrs. Al
Feniello, Mrs. Gary
Fergenson, Mrs. Robert
Field, Mrs. Ada
Fitch, Mrs. Sarah J.
Flanders, Mrs. Louis H., Jr.
Fleming, Mrs. Alexander
Fleming, Mrs. Carol
Fleming, Laura
Fletcher, Mrs. Robert
Forrester, Mrs. John
Forsythe, Mrs. Gertrude
Forsythe, Mrs. Lee
Foster, Laura
Fox, Mary Beth
Fraser, Annabel
Frazier, Sara
  Fritschman, Isabel
Frost, Mrs. Bethel
Fry, Mrs. Francis
Fry, Mrs. Martha
Fry, Virginia
Fuchs, Mrs. Joseph
Fulton, Doris

Gabby, Mrs. Anna P.
Gans, Mrs. Janet Smith
Gardiner, Mrs. Harry M.
Gardner, Mrs. J. C.
Garraway, Mrs. A. D.
Gendy, Genevieve (Egypt)
Gibson, Margaret
Gibson, Mrs. Myra
Gice, Mrs. Winifred
Gilcrest, Margaret
Gilfillan, Mrs. Ethel
Gillette, Mrs. W. I.
Gillogly, Alvaretta M.
Gilmor, Mrs. Lois
Given, Margaret
Glasgow, Mrs. Ruth
Glass, Mrs. George
Gleeson, Mrs. Mabel
Glenn, Mrs. W. W.
Glover, Martha—
  In Memoriam
Glunz, Mrs. C. A.
Godsey, Mrs. Margaret H.
  (Mrs. Don)
Goltry, Mrs. Della
Gombert, Mrs. C. P.
Goode, Mrs. John W.
Goodspeed, Mrs. Charles
Gordon, Rev. Albert
Gorman, Mrs. J. E.
Goshen, Mrs. Lizzie
Graff, Mrs. Anna
Graham, Helen Faye
Graham, Marjorie
Graham, Mrs. Roy E.
Graham, Vera Geyer
Graham, Mrs. Roy E.
Graham, Vera Geyer
Graham, Mrs. W. F.
Grandstaff, Mrs. A. T.
Grant, Mrs. Viola
Gray, Mary Emma
Gray,
  Mrs. Minnie McCullough
Greene, Mrs. Louella Mae
Greenslit, Mrs. Effie
Grimes, Mrs. John W.
Grosvenor, Mrs. Walter V.
Groves, Mrs. Everett
Gruber, Mrs. Sara
Gutteridge, Mrs. Mary
  Stevenson (Egypt)

Haack, Mrs. Edward
Haddon, Mrs. Lillian
Hagan, Mrs. Wm.
Hall, Mrs. W. P.
Hamilton, Delsie E.
Hamilton, Mrs. Frank
Hamilton, Mrs. Mary S.
Hamly, Mrs. Mary
Hammond, D. Harold, D.D.
  —In Memoriam
Hampton, Mrs. A. G.—
  In Memoriam
Haney, Mrs. Ross
Hanley, Mrs. G. L.
Hannah, Mrs. James—
  In Memoriam
Harbison, Grace
Harbison, Mrs. William H.
Harden, Mrs. George W.
Harkness, Mrs. Katherine
  (India)
Harper, Mrs. Freeda
Harvey, Mrs. Alex., Sr.
Hawk, Mrs. Lydia Bergthold
Hays, Mrs. Albert
Hays, Anna
Heagen, Mrs. W. J.
Heffner, Mrs. David
Heisey, Mrs. W.
Heki, Mrs. Walter
Henderson, Mrs. Charlotte
Henderson, Mrs. Jean
Henry, Madge
Herring, Marjorie
Hersey, Mrs. Mary
Hickson, Margaret
Hiemstra, Mrs. T.
Hildreth, Mrs. E. S.—
  In Memoriam
Hill, Mrs. Doris
Hill, Mrs. John R.
Hodgens, Eva Ferree
Hoffman, Harriet
Hofstetter, Mrs. Helen
Holleran, Barbara
Holman, Mrs. Arthur
Hontz, Mrs. Rose
Hooper, Mrs. Walter E.
Hopkins, M. Virginia
Hopping, Mrs. Raymond
Huffman, Mrs. Mabel
Hughes, Mrs. Charles D.
Hughes, Emabel
Hughes, Mrs. Roland
Hull, Mrs. Lois McCartney
Hullin, Mrs. Helen
Hunsinger, Mrs. Wm.
Hunter, Isabel
Hurd, Mrs. C. E.
Hutchinson, Mrs. Viola
Huysman, Mrs. D. S.

Ittner, Mrs. W. O.
Irwin, Mrs. William G.

Jackson, Mrs. Alice
Jackson, Mrs. J. B.
Jamieson, Mrs. Howard M.,
  Jr.
Jamieson, Dr. S. R.
Jamieson, Mrs. S. R.
Jamison, Mrs. W. B.
Jeffers, Mrs. Clarence
Jeffers, Mrs. James D.
Jervis, Mrs. Rena
Johnson, Alice
Johnson, Mrs. C. M.
Johnson, Linda Anne
Johnson, Mrs. M. C.
Johnston, Mrs. James
Johnston, Mrs. W. F.
Jolley, Mrs. F. V.
Jones, Mrs. Florence
Jones, Mrs. George R.
Junak, Mrs. Helen

Kahney, Mrs. Earl
Kaltenbach, Mrs. Herbert
Keeton, Mrs. Helen G.
Kehrli, Mrs. George
Keifer, Mrs. Carl
Kelly, Grace E.
Kennedy, Mrs. Flora Alloway
Kennedy, Mrs. Margaret
Kenneke, Mrs. E. H.
Kermode, Mrs. Jane
Kerr, Mrs. C. N.
Kerr, Mrs. Mary
Kerr, Mrs. Minerva
Kerr, Mrs. Ray
Ketjen, Mrs. E. J.
Kiel, Mrs. Margaret

Kier, Mrs. John R.
Kilgore, Mrs. F. T.
Kilpatrick, Mrs. Ernest
Kilpatrick, Mildred
King, Mrs. Roy
King, Mrs. Will
Kirkbride, Mrs. Charles R.
Kirkpatrick, Mrs. R. P.
Kislig, Mrs. Cora—
In Memoriam
Kissack, Mrs. Mabel
Knierieman, Norma H.
Knop, Mrs. Louis
Kohler, Mrs. J. R.
Kostenbader, Carolyn R.
Kretchman, Alice
Kriner, Mrs. Charles R.
Kyle, Harriet M.

Lafferre, Mrs. Rose
Lamont, Anna Mary
Lane, Clara Jo
Learish, Mrs. Earl
Learned, Mrs. George
Lee, Mrs. Everett
Leeper, Mrs. Ada
Lehman, Mrs. Leslie
Leiper, Mrs. Charles D.
Leopold, Mrs. Walter
Leroy, Mrs. R. V.
Lester, Mrs. George
Lewis, Mrs. Esther
Lightbody, Mrs. Russell A.
Lindstrom, Mrs. C. W.
Linn, Charlotte B.
Linzey, Mrs. Margaret
Lipp, Mrs. Oscar
Little, Mrs. J. C.
Littlewood, Mrs. Thomas
Livingston, Mrs. J. P.
Logan, Mrs. J. H.
Logan, Olive
Long, Mrs. Clifton
Long, Mary Irene
Lorimor, Esther L.
Louden, Mrs. Ray
Loudon, Mrs. William L.
Loutsenhizer, Mrs. Kenvin
Lucas, Mrs. Ralph
Luli, Mrs. Mildred
Lutz, Mrs. Earl
Lyon, Bess Kelley
Lyons, Mrs. Margaret E.

MacArthur, Mrs. Mary
MacDonald, Florence
MacDonald, Martha
Mack, Mrs. Margaret
MacPherson, Irene
MacRitchie, Willena E.
MacVay, Frances C.
Magee, Mrs. George E.
Magnusson, Lucille
Mair, Jeanne B.
Malecot, Mrs. Peter
Malone, Mrs. W. A.
Mansfield, Mrs. Rosa B.
Marlin, Mrs. Belle—
In Memoriam
Marshall, Mrs. A. P.
Martin, Eula
Matz, Rebecca Jane
Mays, Mrs. Robert
Mehollin, Mrs. Beatrice
Meloy, Martha
Mendenhall, Mrs. Kelso
Mesloh, Mrs. Edmund
Metyler, Mrs. Henry
Millar, Mrs. Henry T.
Millen, Susanne
Miller, Mrs. Chas.
Miller, Mrs. Cletus
Miller, Mrs. Dale
Miller, Evelyn
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

American Indian Missions

REPORT OF

HOW beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace: Isa. 52:7.

The Christian missionaries to our Indian Americans go forth; to "love, not to fight; to sow, not to force; to prepare the ground, to sow the good seed; and then with infinite patience to wait until the seed grows, and, in God's time, brings forth fruit."

WARM SPRINGS, OREGON

Our year's work has been like that of any Church pastorate, with the usual demands and services, but we have a rather unusual ministry, in that our main work is with young people. Of a congregation of 70 about 50 would be Indian boys and girls; however, we praise our Heavenly Father for the wonderful opportunity to sow the seed in these young lives, and we beg your prayers that the harvest may be plentiful.

It was necessary, because of the numbers and lack of teachers, to hold two Sabbath Schools again this year. One of these was for the children of the government workers and another for our Indian children; the closing exercise of one group was the opening for the other group. In this way we had all of them together for a little while. During the year we had an average attendance of 56 which is 10 better than last year. For a while we were running well over the 100 mark, but the flu epidemic and the measles broke out and placed the Indians under quarantine. When they were released the school went on a 6-day week, and we found that many of the boys and girls were going home on Sabbath, and when they do this it is hard to get them to come back for services.

Our Wednesday evening young people's Bible study has been continued. This year we finished our study of the Gospel of John and have started in Genesis. Keen interest has been manifested and our attendance has averaged 47, which is 10 over last year.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Briggs, a good Christian woman and helper, we were able to hold D.V.B.S. for two weeks with an enrollment of 65 and an average of 46. We feel that this was worth while and the children enjoyed it immensely. Shortly after this, Mrs. Briggs had to leave with her husband on account of his health, and recently we had the sad news of his passing. While we were struggling along without her assistance another Christian family moved in and both of them have been helping in the Sabbath School. How grateful we are for the Lord's provision for our needs and answers to the many prayers on our behalf.

The older Indians do not turn out very well for the Sabbath evening services, nevertheless, we were able to present to them the Gospel at the nine Church funerals which were held in our little Mission. Of these nine, two were members of our Mission, one of these was our beloved Mrs. Susan Papaluite.

As we look at conditions around us we wonder what good has been accomplished by our testimony. The Indian seems to go on in his own old ways. Drunkenness and gambling seem to be increasing. Many white people who moved into the vicinity of the new saw-mill, which is located about a mile from the agency, have left on account of the living conditions. Many of those that remain care little for the church.

The Government employees are for the most part, good, respectable, clean-living people, and though few of them attend our services, we feel that they are in sympathy with our work, as most of them send their children to our Sabbath School. We are glad that they consider the spiritual welfare of their children and entrust them to us.

To the many friends who have remembered this work with their prayers and their gifts we again extend a hearty "thank-you."

E. W. Machamer

WOMEN'S WORK, WARM SPRINGS, OREGON

Every Sabbath morning I have two Sabbath School classes—an Indian group and a White group. How I have enjoyed them! And knowing that His Word will not return to Him void I can leave the results with Him. The children have not yet forgotten the D.V.B.S. we had last summer. Every now and then some one says, "Oh, I learned that in the Bible School!" Practically every white family in the community sends their children to our S.S. as it is the only one within sixteen miles.

During the year I made 260 calls and entertained about 150 callers, not including those who attended meetings in my home. I have enjoyed this fellowship in my "little house by the side of the road."

I have found it difficult to hold regular devotional meetings for women. Everybody seems too busy, alas, although they find time for so many other things. We did have some special meetings, however, which were well attended and seemingly enjoyed. In November we enjoyed an inspiring Thank Offering service and were happy because our first Thank Offering amounted to $27.50. The Indian White Gift Offering, also a new venture, amounted to $15.00. At the Day of Prayer service in February some Temperance material was introduced and special prayer was offered for the many on this Reservation, and all over our country, to whom drinking is such a terrible temptation. Eight women signed the total abstinence pledge and we hope more will follow.

Some Agency women have done a great deal for the Red Cross. I could not attend the meetings regularly but, since coming here, have tried to do my bit by knitting nine sweaters and two scarfs for service men. I also sponsored a group of Indian women who met at my house weekly and knitted a beautiful afghan for wounded soldiers. Our community always goes over the top, too, for War Bond sales, etc.

There have been many Indian funerals this year. Most of those who passed away were not Christians, but the family wished to have the service at the church. They are always reverent and orderly in the church. The comforting part is that Mr. Machamer always gives a good Gospel message to the living, many of whom never come to church at other times. May many soon yield to the pleadings of the Holy Spirit before it is too late!

Flowers are very rare in this part of Oregon, so our Indian friends make beautiful paper ones. It is interesting to see these love-offerings brought into the church and later used to decorate the grave of a loved one. The part that seems most Indian-like is the solemn ringing of handbells as they proceed to the cemetery in the surrounding hills. These Indian funerals take time too. Recently one was announced for eight A. M. but the family did not arrive at the church till 10:30, so one just sits and waits and hopes!

Some weeks ago I took a number of inoculations required for overseas' journey. I hope I shall be on my way to Egypt before many more moons! Please pray for open doors and receptive hearts both here and in Egypt.

Helen J. Noordewier

ANOTHER YEAR AT SIMNASHO, OREGON

We commenced our Bible study classes with the Day School children and noted their unusual receptivity and interest in the five short weeks we were privileged to teach them. Then the Government removed the school *for the duration,* to the agency. How we miss them both at School and at Church! How it grieved us to say "Good-by" to our white friends, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson, the teachers who had shared in our Church and living problems for six years!

After summer is over Christmas is always right around the corner with the Indians, who have a childlike eagerness for the big time at the Church house when Santa Claus starts the gift-giving around the big tree. Our hearty thanks go out to the Church Societies who, some for the first time and many others for number of years back, sent boxes and barrels of things for distribution and also checks that enabled us to give the Christmas *treat.* This year over 300 presents were sorted and given out.

The poet Longfellow writes in Hiawatha of: "The long, long, cruel winter." Last winter was not so long nor so cruel as ordinarily, but it gathered is toll of death. The flu and its concomitant took from us eight of our leading Indians besides a number of little children. All this meant many visits to stricken homes and speaking words of comfort to groups of mourners sitting on the floor about the covered box in the center of the room.

Services were maintained even at times when the people were gathered at the houses where death had come. Fires were always lighted in the Church stove and the Gospel preached to all who could come. Last year there were 170 different Indian people at our services some of these came as many as twenty times and a few over thirty times. Some on foot, some by wagon, some on horseback and others in cars. It indicates real religious devotion when they travel often five to eight miles in all kinds of weather to hear the words of Eternal Life and to exchange greetings with friends. Surely there is power in the uplifted Cross, felt even by the Red people who often can understand but little, but feel the presence of Jesus.

We get a glimpse here of a Faith that is inarticulae and yet must be real. For almost seven years we have seen them come and go and although it does seem to us at times as if these are the seven *lean years* yet we believe that there are many who have taken the first step-up; who "believe in their hearts that Jesus is the Christ." We plead for continuing supplications from those friends who have held up the work so faithfully in the past that these coming days may see our Indian people take the next step and profess with their lips "that God raised HIM from the dead," and from thence go on in a growing Christian life to many years of fruitful service.

In our Church house the list of soldier names on our "Honor Roll' is growing, over 25 names now, and one-half of these represent those who are overseas. Every Sabbath the names are read and special prayer is offered in their behalf.

We sometimes wish that the friends of the Indian Missions could gather like "a cloud of witnesses" over us some day when the people really come to us—in our home and in our little Post Office. They would then understand why we can't make more than 200 calls a year. There were over 250 times when Indians stopped in to the Manse House to visit. Quite a number of times the only thing to do was also to give them meals—of such as we had.

Many, many times we sit down with them at the table in the Post Office and help them make out their food and fuel application blanks for the Ration Board, also lease renewals, induction papers, money orders and endless reading and writing of letters for them. All this might possibly seem to our friends from the outside to be a ministering to the material wants rather than to the Spiritual, but yet after all we can only enter the doors that are open to us and trust God in His infinite wisdom and love to break down in His own time and way the barriers that still stand in opposition to the salvation of these strange Indian peoples.

Once more we ask for direct prayer by our many friends for the melting of the last barrier of resistance to their coming out definitely on the Lord's side by the way of baptism and public profession of faith.

E. H. Carson

TAMA, IOWA

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." Isaiah 41:10. With others of you we have been having those experiences that might have caused us to be dismayed except for God's promises such as this one to his servant. We have continued with the regular work in the conviction that "our labor is not in vain in the Lord."

The most encouraging feature of our work this past year has been our prayer meetings in the Indian homes. Besides the homes of those who are members of our Mesquakie Congregation others have welcomed these mid-week services, so that twenty homes have been reached in the year. At our Sabbath services in the chapel we use English, but in these home meetings the use of Mesquakie has been encouraged which has opened the way for more to take part. Always the boys away in the Armed Forces are remembered in the time for prayer. The Indian elders of our congregation have helped in these meetings by giving a message in Mesquakie, their native language.

There are thirty-five from this tribe in the Armed Forces, and soon there will be five more which will make about nine per cent of the population. Three were taken prisoners in the North Africa campaign. In Italy one has been killed and two wounded, but these two are back on active duty. One was wounded on Attu Island in May and brought back to the States for hospitalization, but he is back in camp now. There are several others in the Pacific area from Alaska to New Guinea.

For the first time the Tama County Chapter of the Red Cross assigned the Indian community its own quota in the War Fund drive. The Indians appointed their own committee and were the first in the county to go over the top. The one gold-star mother gave ten dollars. The fine spirit in which the community responded to this new effort indicates a real appreciation of what the Red Cross is doing for their boys in the Armed Forces, as well as an improved economic situation.

Practically all who are able to work are employed, both men and women. Many of these have work in Tama. But there are thirty or more employed in five of the large cities of Iowa. Some of these have their families with them so that more than fifty now live away from the Settlement. This improved economic situation is not an unmixed blessing. Having money to spend seems to increase the temptations of the world. It distresses us to see some of the young girls acquiring the drink habit. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink." Habakkuk 2:15.

F. C. Patterson.

TAMA CHILDREN

My record shows 490 calls during this my third year of service at Tama.

As I begin to pull up stakes and fold my tepee, I find my heart filled with sadness at the thought of leaving my Indian friends and my little children and yet—as I raise my head and look out across the waters I rejoice that the time draws near for me to return to Egypt and help to lift the burdens from those who are wearied from the load. I know also that my girls and my little children await my coming over there.

I have been so grateful to the Father for permitting me to work in this part of His vineyard, so rich in natural beauty with its flowers, its birds, and its trees. It has been a high privilege to serve with Mrs. Arthur B. McBride, our Indian secretary, who is always interested in every phase of the work and ever ready to help together by prayer. I have been glad to know and to work with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Patterson; the hours we met together in prayer for those upon our hearts were sweet in the comfort and peace and strength they gave to us. It has been good to know those in our little Church who have truly accepted Jesus as their Saviour! I have rejoiced in that simple trust which they possess in the midst of hardship and trial and that readiness to accept His will for their lives. Surely their lives are a most telling witness to those who continue to follow paganism, and to those who refuse to believe that Jesus is the only "Way, the Truth, and the Life" for all peoples, of all races.

The little children have been a constant source of joy and comfort to me. In our Junior Society they have memorized their Bible portions, they have studied about our Mission work and little children everywhere and they have prayed for them. They also like to remember "Our Church" and "our babies" when they bow in prayer. They have learned to bring their pennies to Jesus so that other little children may hear about His love. We have had a happy time in "Our Room" under the Chapel. Recently one of the mothers said: "You will come back and see your children, won't you?" Yes, I will come back. Once in Egypt I bade farewell to a group of little children in a mud village, I said: "I shall not see you for a long time. What will you do while I am away?" "We will sing, ya sitt, we will sing," was the ready response. And so through the years may the Father keep a song in the hearts of my little children here and guard them from all evil. May they ever hear the voice of the Good Shepherd calling them and follow him to find Eternal Life.

Ruth M. Williamson

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSION, BUNCH, OKLAHOMA

Among the most outstanding events to me, as I look back across the past twelve months, are the many ways in which our prayers have been answered.

Representing Indian Missions of the W.G.M.S., I was permitted to speak on "The Home Mission Program" in Pittsburgh last June to a very appreciative audience concerning the new work here. There was one defnite appeal made in my message—that all present would remember us in their devotions, praying the Lord to supply our needs as He saw them for the new year's work. This appeal did not fall on deaf ears, for I had hardly returned home before love offerings for the Mission began to come in from individuals, Sabbath school classes, Churches, Presbyterials, etc., from our friends of the United Presbyterian Church, and I am convinced we have received these many blessings in answer to prayer. $175 of the cash offerings received were used to complete the Chapel that that had been begun some time before. Nice doors and windows, cement floors, rubber roofing, ceiling, seats and pulpit stand, stove, etc., all were now made possible, and in the place of a very rough log cabin, without furnishing, and very uncomfortable, we have a well-finished and very comfortable, homelike Chapel, in which to meet and conduct our religious services.

We had been praying for song books, Bibles and other materials that we might use in our newly-organized Chapel services. Try to imagine the joy we experienced when receiving a large box of express containing twenty-five nicely bound, large print Bibles, and twenty-five of our own Church song books, a large pulpit-stand Bible with beautiful marker; also, three large Bible pictures to adorn the Chapel walls. I wish our many friends could join us in our service as we use the Bibles in our Bible study, and the song books in our devotion service, singing the fine old songs and using the responsive readings. With all these blessings to work with and enjoy, we are glad to report our Sabbath services are well attended and enjoyed by all. I am sure seed is being sown that will some day bring forth fruit to the glory of God and the salvation of lost souls.

My heart has yearned in behalf of our friends here, so many of them deprived of the actual necessities of life, and the overwhelming desire to supply their needs. The lack of clothing has prevented them from attending school or service. I think I can understand how the disciples felt when they saw the hungry multitude before them, and the Master saying: "Give ye them to eat." Then I remembered the earnest admonition: "Ask, and ye shall receive;" also, "He is able to supply all your needs." There is no doubt in my mind that hundreds of our U.P. friends were asking for the same thing that I was. The result was that our friends are well supplied with all kinds of clothing. The United Presbyterian friends have not only prayed, but have put feet to their prayers. More than 2000 pounds of express, freight, and parcel post have been received. Ten expectant mothers were made very happy that their new babies would have complete outfits. Men's and boys' clothing;—top coats, suits, shirts, shoes, underwear, socks, ties, and hats; the same with women, girls, and children of all ages. I fear there was this difference: there was order when the multitude was fed, but when these boxes were opened, and the distribution began—well, this is a different age!

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

During the summer vacation months, after our schools were closed, we conducted three D.V.B. Schools. More than 1200 children and adults took part in our last summer's program. We hope to continue the same this summer of 1944.

VISITATION IN THE HOMES

We are reminded of the words of the Master, "Go to thy friends and tell them what the Lord hath done for thee." I consider going into the homes of this field a great opportunity. We have prayed that the Lord would open doors for us during the past year. I have made some 1800 visits in the homes; over 300 of these visits were among the sick and shut-ins.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Service rendered in the schools has been condensed, and for the past year we have made regular weekly contacts in five separate schools, with a total enrollment of 650 children, and boys and girls are directed and encouraged in Christian Education. This program is growing in favor, for this year we are permitted to teach in a school that, until now, has refused such training. I shall speak for the first time to the Graduating Class again this year, bringing the Baccalaureate message at the Union Grade and High School; incidentally, *there are more Indian children attending this public school than any other public school in the United States.* This school district comprises twenty sections of land. Four school buses are used in the transportation of the children.

SPECIAL SERVICES

The dedication of the Chapel on December 12th was a red-letter day in this field. We were assisted in this service by Dr. G. E. E. Lindquist, of Lawrence, Kansas, and the Rev. and Mrs. Wm. D. Millen, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Dwight Training School at Vian, Oklahoma.

Our Christmas celebration was also a great event. 100 people gathered at the Chapel. Our beautiful tree was laden with treats and presents for all and a nice religious program was rendered and greatly enjoyed.

On February 25th we observed the World Day of Prayer with twenty-six present.

We want to thank the Board and the Church-at-large for their beautiful spirit of cooperation in supporting the new mission field here in Eastern Oklahoma among our first American friends.

George W. Smith

McKinley, Washington: At the request of the representatives of the Methodist and Disciples of Christ Churches, the Mission Chapel at McKinley was rented for the year for a program to be carried on jointly by these Churches, and for a time Mr. Ray Zack, a Yakima Indian of Wapato, will assist in the work here.

It seemed wise to the Board to make this test of a stronger work here by the Churches already in the area, as there are other groups uncared for religiously.

Celilo Falls, Oregon: During the fishing season Miss Jane Smith and Miss Mary F. Dawson, both of Egypt, carried on the work among the itinerant fishermen's families near the Falls. Visiting in the homes, conducting a Sabbath School, helping the women by showing them newer and better ways of living, these ministries "in His name" we pray were a leaven.

These annual messages tell only part of the story of those who represent us in these fields of service, as they strive "to help them in all of life with the Gospel as the center of the undertaking."

The annual contribution was given for the maintaining of a Christian educational program for spiritual guidance of Indian Youth in the government schools and in communities; for every race in the end must be elevated by its own educated leadership.

We are sincerely grateful for the many encouraging letters and contributions to the work; we are thankful to those who made possible the "Indian Bible Fund" this year. We look forward counting on your intercession, to many happy moons in His service the coming year.

The Secretary of Indian work has conflicting emotions as she closes her report to the Church; joy that soon Miss Ruth M. Williamson, Miss Helen J. Noordewier and Miss Jane C. Smith will be returning to the work in Egypt which they have loved and which needs them so badly; and sorrow that the work they have so faithfully carried on among the Indian women and children must be given up. We wish them God-speed and pray that others may be willing to take over the work they have been doing for Him "whose they are and whom they serve."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Arthur B. McBride,
Secretary of Indian Work.

DAVID BRAINERD

David Brainerd, a pioneer missionary to the Indians of America, lived but a few short years, dying in October 1747, less than thirty years of age. His unusual life and work inspired a number of young men to give their lives to missionary service, among others Samuel Marsden, who went to New South Wales and Henry Martyn who worked in the Moslem world.

David Brainerd labored two years among the Indians of New Jersey with phenomenal success. Brainerd took the most slothful tribe of Indians, the Delawares, and transformed them by the power of God to the position where in a few short months he was able to write of them, "I know of no assembly of Christians, where there seems to be so much of the presence of God, where brotherly love so much prevails, and where I should take so much delight in the public worship of God in general as in my own congregation, although not more than nine months ago under the power of pagan darkness and superstition."

"Who can measure the eternal results of a life lived for so short a time but so completely under the domination of the Holy Spirit of God as was that of David Brainerd?"

REPORT OF

Home Missions Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

FRENCHBURG SCHOOL

Frenchburg, Kentucky

THIS closes the thirty-fifth year of our work in Frenchburg, Kentucky, which was started by Miss Bertha Houston in 1909. At that time twenty boys and girls were the recipients of the loving care and concern of a beloved teacher. The work started in a dilapidated church house, deeded to the Women's Board, by the Presbyterian Church South. The work has grown until we now have nine buildings, and our student body has grown to well over two hundred. We have great reason to thank God for the goodness He has constantly shown to us.

The past few years have been trying owing to the difficulty in securing workers and material, constantly necessary to be replaced. Instead of the one worker who began so many years ago, we now have twenty-one full-time workers, twelve of these being teachers.

The church and school have always maintained a very close relationship. The Bible is taught in all the grades, with no attempt to accommodate the truths of the Bible to rationalistic thinking in the high school. A spiritual note is sounded each day when the entire student body assembles for a twenty-five minute chapel service. The Bible is read, prayer offered and a hymn sung. Then follow inspirational talks by the teachers. Once a week our pastor gives an evangelistic talk.

A general course of study prescribed by the State of Kentucky is taught. Our school ranks with the highest scholastically, having received the rating "A" by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The Kentucky State Board gives us its highest rating.

Owing to improved roads, making travel from homes much easier, our enrollment in the boarding department averaged but 38. Since much of the work is done by these boarding students it is a definite way by which they learn better methods of housekeeping. They have the advantage of close association with the faculty, of learning to serve plates and wait on tables. Following both morning and evening meals, family worship is held. The dormitory group also attends all church services and participates in all departments of work according to age group.

The Jane Cook Hospital is rendering a worth while service. The staff consists of the superintendent, two nurses, a "Nurses' Aid," a laundress, a cook and the two Doctors Adler, who have the privilege of the use of the hospital. We report 297 in-patients; 1751 hospital days; 166 medical cases; 40 births; 21 operations; 6 deaths; and 19 accident victims. The hours of all who serve in the hospital are long, the work is hard, the need is great and the reward is the satisfaction of knowing that many have been helped, who would otherwise have suffered for lack of proper care.

We are grateful to all who have responded to our appeals for clothing. The need seems to be greater than a year ago. Owing to gas rationing many cannot travel to stores in neighboring towns.

Much repair work has been done, and much planned for the ensuing summer. New boilers have been installed in the Elizabeth Brown Dormitory and in the Teachers' Home; some much needed painting has been done; new water lines have been laid to the Dormitory, to the school and to the Teachers' Home. The school building, and the Gymnasium and the roofs of three other buildings must be painted this summer.

Through the visits of the little "Reporter" which is sent to 1400 societies and individuals, you have been kept in touch with the activities of the school in more detail.

At the close of the year we are reminded of the goodness of God, as He has led us in facing our many problems. We have had splendid cooperation from faculty and towns people; we have been supported not only in material needs but also by your prayers. More than once we have been conscious of definite answers to our prayers. We bespeak your continued prayers that we may be led to do God's will as we minister in His name, in your behalf.

Harry L. Cowden,
Superintendent.

EZEL SCHOOL
Ezel, Kentucky

In the face of the present trend of population from our section of Kentucky, the school maintained its enrollment to within ten students of our peak enrollment of 300 last year. We also maintained our Class "A" standing with the State Department of Education. Loyal teachers, who could have secured much better paying positions elsewhere, remained with us, and others, just as capable and well trained came to complete our staff. We feel that our Ezel faculty is the equal of, or better than, any other high school in this section of the highlands.

Through the generous gifts of friends we were able to pay the balance of our $5,000 building debt, just two years after completing the building, rather than in five years, as promised. Other loyal and generous friends have made it possible to add to our equipment. In the Manual Arts department new power tools have been installed, which will be of great aid to our boys. A well equipped Domestic Science department is provided for the girls.

We had a special week of evangelistic meetings, Rev. Oris Rupe, one of the alumni of our school, was the evangelist, assisted by our pastor, Rev. Ralph Ayers. We know it was through the working of the Holy Spirit that thirty-five of our boys and girls were led to give their hearts to Jesus and to consecrate their lives to His service.

The Used Clothing department has done a better business than even last year. Friends throughout the church have sent liberal gifts of clothing that have enabled us to supply the needs of many people and at the same time provide an income that helped definitely in meeting the running expenses of the school.

Members of the faculty have had an active part in our community church work, in maintaining a rural Sabbath School. In addition to all their other responsibilities they have aided in all the community drives to help in the war effort.

It has been a busy, but blessed year at Ezel.

William A. Heagen,
Superintendent.

EZEL AND FRENCHBURG CHURCHES

We have now been in the Kentucky hills for six months and they have been very happy months of busy and interesting work. We have made many friends among a friendly people. Our work is the regular work of a rural pastor multiplied several times by distances and opportunities of service. Bad roads and the lack of means of transportation deprive many people of the privilege of church attendance. This makes the pastoral call of greater importance than that among a people who have easier access to religious services. As a rule the "preacher" is received with real appreciation and is always urged to stay longer and to come again. There is very little emphasis on denominational Christianity. They are either "saved" or "unsaved." Because of a natural deep-seated religious emotional sense, the people are usually very easy to approach on religious subjects of conversation. It is a matter of real satisfaction to have the privilege of a devotional service in the homes, even though there may be little expectation of their presence in our regular church services. As in every community, there are good, bad, and indifferent but the "bad" have the commendable habit of being frank and not hypocritical.

In our work here it has been impressed upon me that the success of a pastor cannot be measured by the number of calls he makes, nor the tracts distributed, but by the friendliness and love in his heart for the people. Even though some duty may seem pressing I have felt greatly repaid by taking time to be friendly with a group of men in the corner store.

During the past year there naturally have been problems and discouragements but progress has been made.

In Ezel we have six very good men for elders in the congregation. The total number of members last year was 116. During the year there were increases by profession of faith in Christ 17, and by letters of transfer 3. One member died and 6 have been certified to other churches, making a net gain of 13 and the present membership 129. There have been 15 adult baptisms. Fifteen of the professions were the result of our evangelistic meetings in November when Rev. Orus Rupe was with us. Our church has paid on the missionary budget $290, to work abroad $27, specials to work at home $32, benevolences outside the denomination $29, to pastor's salary $350, for congregational expenses $184 and contributions to Women's work $463, making a total of $1375. We have 3 missionary societies and a Pioneer and Builders Y.P.C.U. with 25 members. The Sabbath School enrollment including the Dan S.S. is 119 with an offering for the year of $191. We have 32 men and women in the armed services of our country. Sabbath evening April 16th we are having a service for the dedication of a service flag.

The Frenchburg church membership last year was 70, increase during the year by profession of faith 12, by certificate 2, by transfer to other churches 2, making a net gain of 12 and the present member 82. There were 7 adult baptisms. 11 of the professions were the result of our evangelistic services with Rev. Robert Smith as evangelist. Our church has paid on the missionary budget $593, specials to work at home $37, benevolences outside the denomination $153, salary to the pastor, $593, congregational expenses $171, contributions to Women's work by the 3 missionary societies $343, making a total of $1890, an average per member of $23.05. We have Intermediate and Senior Y.P.C.U. societies with 54 members. The enrollment of our three Sabbath Schools at Frenchburg, Indian Creek, and Mac Ausey is 126, with contributions of $225.

Ralph E. Ayers.

CITY MISSIONS

SECOND ITALIAN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pittsburgh, Pa.

We are happy to report that the Lord has been with us and has blessed our efforts in all departments of the work.

Our church membership is ninety-five. Four were received on profession of faith, two of them being from the Sabbath School. There were two marriages, one death and eleven children were baptized.

The Sabbath School was well attended. The Christmas program was very interesting. Toys and candy were given to the children.

The Women's Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid worked very hard. Three hundred and ninety-five dollars was raised to be for needed repairs at the church.

Sixty dollars was given to the Home Mission Board, forty-two dollars to the Women's Board and thirty dollars to work outside the denomination. Our Thank Offering amounted to twenty-seven dollars, including two dollars from the Juniors.

The Young People's Society had very interesting meetings which were well attended.

Twenty-seven of our young men are in the armed forces. We are thankful that their lives were enriched by the influence of the Gospel of Christ, the Power of God unto salvation to every one that believes.

We close the year's work with the hope for a great and successful future for our share in bringing in the kingdom of God.

Mary Ciancio.

SLOVAN MISSION

Burgettstown, Pa.

It has been an interesting year and a wonderful experience to me. Much time was spent calling in the homes and so many times when a difficult task was ahead I would find that God had been there before me and had "rolled away the stone."

Interest has kept up in the Sabbath School. At first several dropped out. Some have come back and new members have filled the ranks. A beginners' class was organized and is growing rapidly.

It has been hard to carry on the work of the Young People. We meet on Wednesday evening and so many things interfere. This group has been faithful in their attendance on Sabbath morning and there has been an increase in all offerings. An increasing number are coming to the Burgettstown church to special services. This group sponsored the picnic, Hallowe'en party, Christmas pageant and a spaghetti supper.

We have one gold star in our service flag. There are three other sons and one son-in-law of this family in the service; one, the father of five children. Our love and sympathy go to this family who have sacrificed so much. Three other families have four sons each in the service.

Eight united with our church; four children and four adults. Rev. Mr. Sutton conducted a communicants' class which was well attended.

Juniors were active. Testaments were given. Mark and part of John read in meetings; Bible verses memorized; many sentence prayers offered. Juniors presented a Thank Offering pageant; helped with Christmas pageant; attended junior rally. A party was held in home of sponsor and they were guests of young people at shuffleboard party in home church.

We appreciate your prayers and thank God for His many blessings to your mission at Slovan, Pa.

Mrs. R. G. Russell.

WESTLAND MISSION

Westland, Pa.

As we begin a new church year it is well to take an inventory of the work accomplished, of the blessings received, and to measure ourselves with the goals set a year ago.

In some things we have fallen short of the attainments we set, but again we have been blessed "exceeding abundantly above all that we could ask or thing." It has been the hard places and the disappointments that have driven us to our knees. It has been the "exceeding abundantlys" that have given us new courage.

Church attendance has improved; eight have been received on profession of faith; six children and two adults baptized. Special services held —Thank Offering, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas evening.

New song books were purchased; duplex envelopes inaugurated, prayer meetings held each week, often in the homes of the people.

Revival meetings were held sixteen evenings in February, when forty-six went forward for salvation and reconsecration; the Reverend Ralph M. Kemper of Canonsburg, being in charge. The annual Congregational meeting was preceded by a dinner served by the Young Women's Missionary Society.

Sabbath School enrollment 123, a gain of thirty-three members. Children's Day, Rally Day and Christmas were observed with special programs. The Graded lessons are now used in Beginner's and Intermediate Departments. The YPCU meets each Sabbath evening and holds social activities once a month. The Junior Society and two Bible Clubs meet weekly.

A Daily Vacation Bible School was held for one month. The Elizabeth Brinton Clark Missionary Society had an increase of six members, and now numbers eighteen. The two Missionary Societies conducted a Mission Study Class during November.

Thirty Christmas boxes were sent to our young people in the Service. Social activities included—a picnic, Hallowe'en and Christmas parties. The women's group held two all-day sewing meetings.

Our Sabbath School at Export has a membership of Eighteen.

New song books, Bibles and story papers have been bought.

Dorothy E. Partington.

CRANSTON MISSION

Cranston, R. I.

The opportunities among the children have been precious. Many were able to attend the daily Bible classes and learn of Him who is the children's friend. It is an inspiration to see their eagerness in grasping divine truths and in singing God's praise.

The greater part of the year's offering, amounting to forty-five dollars and fifty cents, came from the children, who were so anxious to bring their gifts to Jesus.

A five-week Daily Bible School was conducted, with an enrollment of thirty-seven. The evangelistic work in the homes continued, and was profitable.

Lives have been changed because of their knowledge and faith in Christ. A young women, whose home life had rendered her an infidel, has accepted Christ as her Saviour, and is now a true witness for Him in her home.

The field is difficult. There have been many disappointments but I know that in some heart God's word and His saving love have found room.

Mary J. Zucchi.

WORK IN THE PRESBYTERIES OF ALLEGHENY, LOS ANGELES AND PUGET SOUND

NORTH SIDE,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

A very busy year, but little seems to have been accomplished. More than two-thousand calls were made, including several house to house surveys and two surveys of the "Housing Project" in the neighborhood. There is not much need except among some aged people. Through the kindness of the Ellwood City church, they were provided with coal all winter.

Other problems have increased; two of our young girls are in Morganza and several have been in Juvenile Court, but considering our population the number is not so great.

There is more money to spend, then is good for most of them. One of the churches is now planning a youth program for the young in the community.

Many of the calls have been to homes of boys killed or missing in action. Many of these mothers have no interest in the church, and are very desolate when trouble comes. Out of my own grief I have been able to sympathize and give some comfort, and I am glad. (Mrs. Lamb received a notice from the government, early in February, that her only son was "missing in action over France". This word was received on his twenty-first birthday. No word has been received since. You will, I am sure, remember Mrs. Lamb in her sorrow—Secretary.)

Thank Offering talks, book reviews and other meetings to the number of one hundred and twenty-seven were held. This means a very pleasant contact with many church groups and their interest in the work has been very gratifying.

There is such great need for a real spiritual awakening in this district. Church attendance is improving and perhaps that is the beginning. At least we can work and pray to that end.

Catherine Lamb.

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

"The children, they come, they come,
With shouting and laughter and glee,"

to the seven neighborhood Bible Clubs organized to bring them to the waiting arms of the divine child-lover, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thus was a Christian program begun the first of April in San Antonio Heights, North Long Beach, California, said to be the largest home-owners defense area in the nation. The classes are held in small five-roomed houses occupied by parents, many of whom are in Aircraft Plants and Ship Yards. Four hundred children, of all nationalities and faiths from all states in the union, are taught in these classes. They furnished a fine nucleus for the Bible School which was organized in the parsonage of The Reverend and Mrs. E. E. Beattie who arrived on the field in September. The small rooms are tested in capacity each Sabbath and literally jammed with children and parents for the Christmas and Easter programs.

Church services are held in the parsonage, except the Easter service which was held in Sunnyside Mauseleum, in close proximity to this tract.

Reverend and Mrs. Beattie teach two of the clubs, and an Adult Bible Class Wednesday evenings in the home of the secretary of the Bible School. We are most grateful for the cordial hostesses who have opened their homes, and for the consecrated leadership secured.

The modern child has much to overstimulate and wear out his interest. With little or no cooperation from the parents, contacts must be made daily with the children, reminding them of the meeting of the clubs to be held in their neighborhood.

Many problems confront us in these war industrial centers which challenge our earnest prayers. Suffice to say that the children reflect in their attitude and prayers that they are being robbed of their rightful heritage —a happy, well-adjusted home, and are being betrayed by the divorce evil.

Our juvenile problem, as yet, is not as great as our parent problem. And delinquency is our number one problem. The wonder is that we have so many responsible children from so many irresponsible parents. God give us parents that a time like this demands.

"The children come, they pass, they go,
Tomorrow's men to be.
God give us eyes to see,
The ears to hear and the wills to do
The work to be done for Thee."

Ruth Elta Findley.

TAHOMA TERRACE

Tacoma, Washington

She sits at her desk in Tahoma House making the annual "check up."

On top—The Prayer Cycle and the Garden of Prayer stand first in the row of books.

The Church Book—Records the baptism of the three infants, four young people and the three new adult members.

Bible School Superintendent Record—Enrolls the eighty-four names and sixteen Cradle Roll members.

Note Book—Lists the verses of Scripture recited and congregational choruses sung each Sabbath at Worship Hours.

Trustee Secretary Book—Holds the plans made for the little church, and the amounts in which God has so richly blessed it.

Receipt Book—Acknowledges the gift of "The Last Supper" from a soldier and his wife, and the aisle carpet from a city firm.

Church Guest Book—Enrolls the names of soldiers, many now far away.

Telephone Book—Records the large number who have brought the Gospel messages and the leaders of meetings for the War Casualty Officers groups.

Date Book—Lists the talks at Young People's Conferences, Y.W. Missionary Circles, W.C.T.U. meetings, weekly meetings of the 19 Junior Mission Band, the C.U. meetings, the Tahoma Guild every two weeks and the Rescue Mission Services.

Below—The box of paper clips that fastened the programs of the 14 special days.

Ball of Cord—Almost gone, having tied the many Christmas boxes for the soldiers, the three dozen lap wool blankets and 79 scrap books for the Fort hospital all made by our women.

The Stapler—Has put together invitations with the 250 copies of the "Doorstep Evangel" distributed each month.

The Mending Tape—Has done its duty with toys for the church nursery.

The Paste Jar—Has placed the names of Books of the Bible for the sixteen names on the Reading Honor Roll.

Tag Box—Is empty; 615 coffee jars have been gathered by the Junior Band and sent on their way, and religious tracts sent to the USO center racks.

Gum Labels—Identified the mite boxes for the belfry fund, and sacrificial denominational pleas.

"Pete the Pig"—Looks empty. Surely the Leper work should have more often been remembered.

Stamp Box—Had once been full—now the church bulletins are on their way to our soldiers in far distant lands.

Ruler—Has measured the draperies, cushions and covers included in furnishing the Day Room at Recreation Center, given by our women.

The Pencils—Were glad they were connected with erasers.

The Blotter—Is old and worn with the mistakes that have been made.

The New Year Leaf—Has been turned over, but the blots on the old page have soaked through. The constant roar of the Airplanes brings disturbing and sobering thoughts.

The missionary hears also the "alert" whistles of her own tasks,—so humming the theme song of the Mission, "Lead me to some soul today" she goes to the newcomers in the Housing Project, leaving a message with each one, and a card of invitation signed by

Beth Johntsone.

THE SECRETARY'S SUMMARY

WORK was discontinued in Pullman, Wn., and in San Francisco and Arkansas Valley Presbyteries. Los Angeles Presbytery was granted a missionary for new work in a section adjacent to Long Beach, Cal., in a new housing district. The missionary, Miss Ruth Elta Findley says—"My work is very, very hard but worth all it takes to bring children to the One who knows, Who loves and Who cares. They love to come to our Bible classes."

With the opening of our Kentucky mission schools in the autumn of 1943 all vacancies had been filled with one exception. By the end of the first semester a teacher was secured for it, that of Home Economics. Again that position is vacant. Our schools closed in May (1944) with a number of vacancies in each school.

Some who have been with us a number of years, are retiring. The Misses Mae and Margaret Beveridge, who have each given thirty-three years in our Frenchburg mission, are retiring and will make their home in Monmouth, Ill. Mrs. Martin Hovermale, R.N., who has been superintendent and general manager of the hospital since the resignation of Dr. Esther Mitchell (who later passed on to her reward) has resigned, to make a home for her family as well as to secure a much needed. rest. Miss Martha Baird resigned to be at home with her parents. She has taught the first and second grades in the Frenchburg School for fourteen years. Others, who have been members of the faculty for a longer or shorter period, have resigned, some for their home, where duty calls, others for former fields of service in Egypt or India. These missionaries have each rendered faithful, loyal and devoted service. Their places will be exceedingly hard to fill during these war times when missionary-minded nurses and teachers are difficult to secure. We covet your assistance in helping to fill these vacancies.

With the return of the Reverend Bruce Buchanan to Ethiopia and until we secured a pastor in the fall, Dr. Joseph Hamilton and his wife of Butler, Pa., were in charge of the two congregations, Frenchburg and Ezel, Ky. They did a fine piece of work and we were most fortunate in having them for the summer months. In October the Reverend Ralph Ayers, Th.M. and his wife, formerly of India, came to us from Muskingum Presbytery. Muskingum's loss was our gain, I am sure.

Partial reports of the various kinds of work of our missionaries are on the preceding pages.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William S. Cook,
Secretary of Home Missions.

PIONEER BUILDERS

Hand in hand with the pioneer builders in this country, went the pioneer, Home missionaries, heroes of the Cross, with their message of evangelism.—Editor.

They have builded magnificent bridges
Where the nations highways go;
O'er perilous mountain ridges
And where great rivers flow.
Wherever a link was needed between the new and the known,
They have left their marks of progress, in iron and steel and stone.

There was never a land too distant,
Nor ever a way too wide
But some man's mind, insistent
Reached out on the other side.
They cleared the way, those heroes, for the march of future years
The march was civilization—and they were the pioneers.

Evelyn Simms—Anthology Poems of Youth by Alice Cooper.

REPORT OF

Negro Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

CAMDEN, MILLER'S FERRY AND CANTON BEND

BY the grace of our Heavenly Father we have come to the close of another year's labor in His vineyard. We are thankful for the evidence of His presence, blessing, and power to help us in whatever our achievements have been.

In most respects it has been no different from other years. We have had our daily routine which in spite of its sameness has proved interesting and inviting. Disappointments and discouragements are always present, both are balanced by happy surprises and achievements.

CAMDEN

War has laid a heavy hand upon us in our work this year. While we have been able to fill all our engagements for the year, it has not been possible for us to attend as many Prayer Services as in years past. But our Prayer-meeting committee has kept these services going. All organizations of the church have functioned with their usual smoothness. Most of the Calendar Days of the Church have been observed with profit to all. The annual picnic was not held this year. The shadow of th war had something to do with it. Vacation Bible school was held for one week. Mrs. Peoples conducted it. It was not possible to get a faculty together as in other years. Seventeen pupils were enrolled. Camden was well represented at the Sabbath School and Y.P.C.U. conventions and captured many of the honors. The Evangelistic Campaign was held as usual. The evangelist whom we had secured was stricken with flu. However, we feel that in spite of this handicap and poor weather, the spiritual tone of the school was lifted. Camden has met all financial obligations and has done so magnificently.

MILLER'S FERRY

Though the shadow of war is evident, our work has moved on. We have met all our engagements with Prayer meeting. All the organizations of the church have worked smoothly. The Calendar Days have been observed with the exception of Bible Sabbath and Y.P. Day. Vacation Bible School felt the hand of the war. Only eighty-five were enrolled. However, we were able to go ahead with two weeks of intensive Bible study. We had our annual picnic but the spirit of the occasion was subdued by the memory of the Gold Star. The evangelistic services were very successful. Weather and health conditions were good. Forty-seven professions of faith resulted. The spiritual reaction of the school and congregation was fine and is still felt. We met all our financial obligations to the Church and community needs.

CANTON BEND

Canton Bend continues to show exceptional vitality. Though still small in membership it shows great promise. The Vacation Bible School ran its full two weeks, closing with the best picnic of its history. We cannot help feeling this Mission has a promise of being a Church of power some day. Without the usual evangelistic campaign, eleven young people came forward to ask admission to the church on profession of their faith in Christ. They were received and baptized. The giving at Canton Bend has been very liberal. We entertained the Sabbath School and Y.P. C.U. Convention in October. This was the first time in our pastorate

The convention was the most distinguished that our southern section of Tennessee presbytery has ever held. We feel that God has blessed our efforts in this field of labor for the year just closed.

We wish to express our gratitude to the Board of American Missions and the Women's Board. We wish to thank all of the churches who have taken such an active interest in us at these three stations. We have received requests for information of our activities from various organizations which demonstrate to us the deep and abiding interest of the church in the Negro work of the church. For this we are deeply grateful. The Negro's only hope is is in the efforts of the church of Christ. If it fails us there is nothing we can hope for from any other group of the American people. Jesus Christ alone can bring us through to a life of freedom and fullness in our democratic America.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. D. F. White.

CAMDEN ACADEMY

Camden, Alabama

As we near the close of another school year, it is fitting first of all that we should express to our Heavenly Father our gratitude for His goodness and for the countless blessings He has bestowed on us. We also wish to thank the Women's Board for the interest they have manifested in us.

Despite the fact that we lost several boys to the armed forces during the summer, we have a larger enrollment than we had last year. We have 209 students enrolled in the first six grades and 236 in the junior and senior high school—making a total of 445. The graduating class is the only one whose enrollment falls below twenty-five. One class reached an enrollment of seventy-four—so many that we had to divide the class and secure an additional teacher.

This year, we have the largest number of boarding students in the history of the school. We had to reject some applicants for lack of room. One patron, to keep from having her son refused, when told that we had no available bed space, offered to bring her son a bed from home. She did so.

The campus children have enjoyed a very successful year under their "School Mother," Mrs. Rivers. She sees to it that they are given the proper home training in all respects.

Mrs. Bridges, the dining hall matron, is doing a great work. She is able to feed her increased number of boarders and stay within her budget. The students under her guidance are receiving valuable information about the selection and preparation of food. The girls of the junior and senior high school are enrolled in the sewing classes. It is very interesting to see how much they enjoy learning how to sew and how proud they are of the garments they make. Our friends in the other sections of the country have helped us quite a bit in our sewing department. The used clothing that they send us is often remodeled by the sewing classes.

We wish to thank all our donors for the many contributions they have made to us this year. We have received not only used clothing but toys and candy for the children, Christmas gifts (ready wrapped, with the name of the person for whom it is intended written on an appropriate card), bedding, curtains, books, new material for the sewing room and gifts of money. We always appreciate your gifts and your interest in us.

The regular school work and religious work have been quite as usual. The Missionary Societies have been active. They reported a very substantial Thank Offering. We had the honor of having Miss Kate Hill with us during our Thank Offering ingathering. She spent the next day with us, visiting the school and talking to the classes. We are still praying for the little boy in India that Miss Hill told us about.

Camden Academy carried away two prizes from the District Sabbath School and Y.P.C.U. Convention. The Bible Reading and the Oratorical Contest were won by our representatives.

The school celebrated the National holidays. Negro Health Week was terminated with a general clean-up of the entire campus and an Easter egg hunt for the entire school. On Easter we were entertained by the Girls' Chorus with their effective rendition of the cantata, *Calvary*.

We are now looking forward to Commencement with three boys and 13 girls being graduated. Commencement Day for the high school is May 24th; the elementary department will close on April 28th. Dr. Imes of Knoxville is to deliver the Commencement Address.

A. C. Peoples.

MILLER'S FERRY MISSION

Miller's Ferry, Alabama.

We feel that this school year closing April 27 has been a very successful one. A large number of new students both girls and boys came to us this year. The number was larger than usual and the ages younger. We hope that they will take with them some of the Christian teaching that the teachers have tried so hard to impart. Some of these children's parents were former students or graduates of one of our mission schools. They came from Chicago, Detroit, Flushing, N.Y., and some of our large Alabama cities. Other rural districts in Alabama whose school facilities end with the sixth or ninth grade furnished many of the students. Our school bus serves not only our school but our sister school at Prairie.

The elementary children moved into their new building this winter and they enjoyed it very much. The rooms are more cheerful and comfortable than the former ones. The rooms will present a better appearance later when they are painted. We have a campaign on to raise money for the paint. An alumnus, Leo B. Marsh, of Columbus, Ohio, will match our funds up to $100.00. We shall reach that goal. Mr. Marsh is doing very well as director of the Spring St. Y. M. C. A. in Columbus, Ohio.

The first and second grade room is overcrowded now. The teacher has too many children to do her best work.

Our total enrollment was very good under the circumstances. A number of our undergraduates as well as graduates are in the armed forces. Many have kept in touch with us throughout the year and have expressed their appreciation for the training that they received while here.

Athletics is stressed because this directed activity is necessary for the physical development of the pupil. B. T. Ridgeway and Miss Faustina E. Williams are the coaches.

The Vocational Department under C. T. Patterson and Miss Maree N. Morse plays a very definite part in preparing the boys and girls for the future. This department combines theory and practice. These teachers also have classes of adults in the community and visit them frequently to help with their farming and homemaking problems. The government has placed in this department two large pressure cookers and an electric dehydrater and an electric meat grinder for use in the community. This is the only vocational department out of four in the county to have this type of equipment. The students entertained the faculty and their parents at a colorful banquet early in April.

The Music Department under Mrs. H. L. Auhorn, enrolled a number of piano pupils. The church choir and school chorus furnished music throughout the year for church and for special occasions. Miss Faustina E. Williams assisted in the choir and chorus.

Various teachers presented their pupils in pageants and plays during the year and especially in the closing week.

The graduating class this year numbers fifteen. The practical Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by our pastor, Reverend D. F. White. The commencement address will be delivered April 27 by President Williams Lloyd Imes of Knoxville College.

Mrs. McGinnis, the matron, had over forty girls. The youngest girl was eight years old. The dormitory training supplements the home training. In some instances it has to take the place of the home training which had been omitted. Some of the girls work in the laundry, others in the kitchen, while a third group keep the building clean. Of course, all keep their own rooms neat and clean. Contact with other girls helps train each one how to get along well with other persons. The work is supervised.

Miss Ethel L. Perkins, with her helpers, prepared and served meals to boarding students and teachers.

Ruben Yancy, one of the high school teachers, had charge of the boys' dormitory. In spite of the army he had twenty-five this year. The boys enjoyed their new building, although their furnishings were not so good.

The hospital serves the school and community. Its field is limited this year by the lack of workers. We have lost several former superintendents to larger hospitals and our last year's class of nurses is in the nurses' Cadet Corps. We realize that the armed forces' need for trained nurses is greater than the civilian need and we shall do the best we can for the "duration." After the war we hope to get our hospital back to its former standard. The superintendent assists in a weekly V. D. clinic. State Senator J. Bruce Henderson, son of the late Judge William Henderson, was instrumental in having a law passed in Alabama requiring citizens 14-50 years of age to have their blood tested for venereal diseases. Free treatment is given at clinics to those who need it.

The school is still striving to keep alive the Christian spark—the "something" that sets our mission schools apart from other schools. It is the knowledge that children can get Christian training here that causes the former students to send their boy or girl here. The religious organizations have been quite active this year. The three missionary societies gave a combined Thank-Offering of $150.00. All were inspired by the visit of Miss Kate Hill and the juniors, especially through much sacrifice gave cheerfully their very generous offering. The sponsor of the Junior society has been teaching the evils of intemperance.

Reverend St. Paul Epps Presbyterial secretary of the Young People's Christian Union, and Mr. Moses Shaw, general secretary, were welcome visitors in October and brought new ideas. Our young people from the Y.P.C.U. and Sabbath School took an active part in the annual convention at Canton Bend Mission last October. The YPCU conducted a sunrise prayer service Thanksgiving morning and with the Young Women's Missionary Society brought cheer to the aged and shut-ins with their Thanksgiving baskets.

The Evangelistic meetings were quite successfully carried on by the pastor and several visiting ministers. A number were converted and several joined this church.

The Sabbath School has been well attended in spite of some rainy Sabbaths. All boarding pupils, unless illness prevents, are required to attend all religious services including the Wednesday night prayer service.

Our pastor, Reverend D. F. White, has throughout the year brought us much spiritual help. Special sermons during the daily chapel hour were delivered in preparation for Thanksgiving, Christmas, the Evangelistic service, and Easter. The first chapel service of the school year is always led by our pastor.

The church, Sabbath School, and day school have taken part in several financial drives this year including the Thank-Offering, Educational Rally, War Chest, Emergency Fund for colleges, and the Red Cross. All went "over the top".

Throughout the year contributions of cash, clothing both new and used, household linens, yard material for sewing room, books, toys, candy, and other Christmas gifts have been received. Also several societies have sent inquiries about our needs and will send in their gifts later. We have tried to thank all friends personally for their gifts and letters of inquiry. If our acknowledgements were not received, we want to thank each and everyone now who contributed to us here at Miller's Ferry and we extend our best wishes to them for continued prosperity and success.

We were pleased to have as a visitor the Associate Secretary of American Board of Missions, Dr. Wm. F. Rotzler. We gained from his visit. We missed having our secretary, Mrs. H. Ray Shear to visit us. Mrs. Shear is deeply interested in us and spares neither time nor energy in our behalf. We hope that it will be possible to have her come next year and bring us inspiration.

Sincerely yours,

N. P. Williams.

ARLINGTON INSTITUTE

Annemanie, Alabama

Our school closed on the 28th of April. We were fortunate in having with us Dr. Wm. Lloyd Imes as speaker for the day. He delivered a splendid address to a large crowd of our people.

We feel very thankful to our kind Heavenly Father for keeping us another year in His service and we greatly appreciate what the Boards of the U. P. Church have done in making it possible.

The great demand for labor and the unusually high wages for all kinds of labor make a great appeal to students and teachers. But all of our departments have had the usual number of teachers and our school has been good.

We have had preaching here and at Prairie twice each month throughout the year. All the Christian Organizations have been well attended at both places. Our rally here and at Prairie did well. We raised about $300. at Prairie and were able to pay our pledge and have some in the treasury. We raised above $700. at Arlington, paid our pledge, took up the last two notes on a $500. loan that the American Board granted us some years ago, and paid our congregation's part to the Pension Board.

We held a week of Service at Prairie prior to Communion and Communion on the first Sabbath in April. We had Communion here on Easter Sabbath and a week of Service before Easter. We are glad to report that we believe that we all felt the Spirit of our Lord with us in all of our Meetings.

We thank your Board for its kind interest in us an dwish for you every blessing.

Yours truly,

R. P. Williams.

PRAIRIE MISSION

Prairie, Alabama

Our little church building which nestles in the arms of a great old oak tree represents a very important part of our work. Preaching services are held twice a month. The services are well attended, though our adult membership is very small. The most attractive side of our work is that which is done for, with, and by the children. Our Sabbath School is more regularly attended than any other organization in the community.

The work done through our Junior Missionary Society is always outstanding. This year the Thank Offering program was given by the Juniors at a joint meeting with the Women's Society. The total offering was $29.00. Our pledge toward the missionary budget of the church was $150. We conduct an annual rally to raise that and other congregational expenses. This year we raised $271.76. Our total contributions for the year were $358. We have also helped to raise our county quota in the Red Cross drive, the War Chest drive, and the drive for crippled children.

In our day school, four teachers have two grades each. The ninth grade is taught by the principal. Mrs. Jeanette Steele McCall plays the piano for the school and the other organizations. She also gives some piano lessons. Mrs. Peters teaches sewing and housekeeping to all girls from fifth grade up. She has given few lessons in cooking this year because all of our teachers are married and have chosen to provide for their meals. This department formerly furnished dinners to all teachers.

Our Mothers' Club had dwindled almost to the vanishing point because of old age, deaths, and moving; but this year it has taken on new life through the addition of a number of young mothers. Their annual program drew a large crowd. We have many discouraging things happen and ours seems like a thankless task at times, but let me mention a few things which warm our hearts and give us renewed courage. There is the case of Mrs. Elnora Jackson. She is old, sick, and almost blind. She has not been able to attend mothers' meetings regularly for several years. This year, though she has not been able to take an active part, she has insisted upon being led to the meetings so that she might be counted with the faithful. Another of the older women of the community has earned the title of "Ma Ida" because of her age and motherly nature. She receives a small check for old age assistance from the government. She gave the first eighty-five cents in our rally and when the Red Cross drive was on, she gave fifty cents when we knew she was not able. Also there is no end to the joy that comes as we watch the children develop day by day.

The few men that we have left here have been fortunate in that more clothing for men has come in missionary boxes this year. We are thankful for these and other bits of clothing that have cut down the expenses of people with small incomes. We also are thankful for the Christmas treat that we were able to give our children from the gifts of a number of missionary societies and an extra gift from the Board.

Yours in Christ,

William Peters.

THYNE INSTITUTE

Chase City, Virginia

The thirtieth of May will be our Commencement Day. At that time Thyne Institute will have completed its sixty-eighth year. In one respect it will be different from other Commencements, for three boys who should have been graduated in the class of 1944 are now in the service of their country. All schools for boys and coeducational schools face the same problem, but the small high schools and colleges are most affected by it. Eleven of our boys have been called, and many of our graduates and ex-students are in the service. Three gold stars have been added to our flag this year. One boy went down with his ship, one was drowned on an island in the South Pacific, and one died recently in a government hospital.

The enrollment this year has been good, and more pupils than usual have remained throughout the year. The teachers in the elementary grades have far too many pupils in their rooms, but they have done good work in spite of this. Our eighth and ninth grades are also larger than usual.

Thyne Institute is the only school in the county, white or colored, that has offered Red Cross classes in First Aid this year. Two of the teachers are Red Cross instructors, and all the high school students are enrolled in their classes. Next year with the help of the county, classes in Home Nursing may be added.

Mrs. Seright, who had charge of the girls here for many years resigned last spring. Her place has been taken by Mrs. Lavinia Gaines, who has been in the work at Thyne Institute for thirty years. The new assistant matron, Mrs. Vernice Davenport, is the daughter of the late Rev. W. M. Fowlkes, who served in the mission work of our church at one time. Both Rev. and Mrs. Fowlkes attended Thyne Institute, and eight of their children were graduated here.

The present enrollment in the boarding department is forty-three, but at one time this year it was over fifty. In caring for these young people a real service is being performed, for most of them come from homes where one or both parents are in defense work or some kind of essential work. Many of them are city children whose parents want them in a school where they will be well cared for and kept off the street. So many parents want to place their children in boarding school that if we were equipped to take care of younger children, the dormitories would be filled.

Our missionary societies have carried on their work as usual. Miss Kate Hill visited us in November and was here for the Thank Offering Service. She spoke to the school at a chapel service, and she was so interesting that a large crowd came to hear her that night. We raised the largest Thank Offering that we have had in many years. As we do not have many visitors, we appreciate those who do come, especially when they are as interesting as Miss Hill.

The teachers and I want to express our appreciation to the Women's General Missionary Society for the fine work that it is doing in helping to care for and train our girls and boys.

Rosalie Wilson.

HENDERSON INSTITUTE

Henderson, N. C.

As usual we have centered our efforts around the home, ever mindful that "The home has long been recognized as a powerful force in the life of the nation." Many of the mothers have to work outside of the home, thus leaving the work of the home either neglected or in many cases entirely dependent upon the girls in the family. If these homes are to meet the needs of the family to any degree these girls must have some training that will help them to assume such responsibilities. The major part of this training will have to come through the Home Economics classes in the schools.

In our work this year emphasis has been placed on wholesome home life, good manners, personal hygiene, and foods. Our work in foods has been in keeping with war time rationing which requires much more careful planning than in days of plenty. This, in some ways has been an advantage for the girls get a real thrill out of preparing delicious dishes with less sugar and butter.

The cafeteria proves its usefulness daily. There is a weekly average of four hundred fifty lunches served. Many of the children come long distances on busses and have to leave home so early they do not get breakfast. To these the cafeteria means everything. The cost is within the reach of all, only five or ten cents and free to those not able to pay that. Even at this small charge and fifteen or twenty free lunches each day, we have been able to make some additions and keep up our expenses.

In addition to supplying food to the children the cafeteria serves as an important part of our training program. The girls in the Home Economics classes serve as monitors, stressing correct eating habits. This has resulted in great improvement in the table manners of the children and proved a help to the girls themselves.

Taking everything into consideration we feel that unusual blessings have come our way this year in the many ways our friends have remembered us and the opportunity we have had to serve in a helpful way the fifty-five girls in our department.

With gratitude for all the help given me and a prayer that we may continue to serve those who need us, I am

Gratefully yours,

Josie A. Warren.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Henderson, N. C.

The hospital has had a busy year. A new sterilizer has been purchased at a cost of approximately $2,000 of which Duke Endowment gave $400. Receipts at the hospital office have been greatly increased with the increase in wages and a greater opportunity for work. Approximately $16,000 was received at the hospital office. This exceeds last year's receipts by $4,000. This amount includes the money paid by the county for the care of patients in the tubercular ward.

During the year there were 250 major operations and 275 minor operations.

Grateful acknowledgement is hereby made to the Duke Endowment for its continued assistance in the care of charity patients. The amount given this year was $4,281.

Mrs. Eva J. Adams, Supt.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. Ray Shear,
Sec'y. Negro Missions.

REPORT OF

Foreign Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

ANOTHER year of world-wide war made the service in all our foreign fields very difficult but we are thankful to the Heavenly Father that our work has not been seriously hindered although the shortage of workers has been a handicap. While nothing new has been undertaken, the regular work of the past years has been continued in the best way possible. The cost of food and all commodities has been so extreme that it has been necessary to give special financial help. Hence the war bonus of ten dollars per month to each missionary on the field, as given last year, is continued and increased allowances have been made in all our fields for native teachers, Bible women and others.

Very few of the missionaries detained in America have been able to return to their fields. Miss Ray Huffman, R. N., who was reported last year as on her way to The Sudan, traveled almost around the world and was four months in reaching her station in Nasir. Miss Lois Kingan was six months on her way from America to Egypt. The Misses Ruth Beatty, R.N., and Isabel Blair went by the Mediterranean route early in November, reaching Egypt in a short time, but from that point they met many obstacles. They were held up for weeks in The Sudan visiting our different stations, finally reaching Gore, Ethiopia, where they are to work. On April 22 three of our missionaries to Egypt — the Misses Dora Mason Leota Cabeen and Elizabeth Wilson—and two for The Sudan—Miss Mary Jane McKnight and Mary K. Smith, M.D. (a daughter of the Mission)—left the eastern coast by a Portugese vessel. After stopping at Lisbon they expect to go to Africa and thence by boat or plane to their respective fields. There are good prospects that more of the missionaries may be on their way before many weeks.

INDIA

The four missionaries mentioned in last year's report as being on their way home from India were delayed for many weeks in South Africa but after a long, trying voyage reached New York on June 13. A party now en route for America includes three of our missionaries — the Misses Helen Artman, Frances Brown and Laura MacLachlan.

Much has been accomplished through the efforts of evangelistic workers in camps and villages. The usual Bible Schools and conferences were held and much interest has been shown among the people. The schools have had a larger enrollment this year than in any previous year, some having been turned away. The chief difficulty seems to have been in caring for the boarding departments; as the cost of foods has been very high it was necessary to grant larger estimates for these departments.

All our hospitals were carried on as usual although for part of the year there was no American doctor in any of them. Dr. Bergsma, who took charge in Sialkot Hospital after Dr. Hunsberger left for America early last spring. found it necessary to come home on furlough last fall. The Mission then asked Dr. Vroon of Taxila Hospital to have some oversight of Sialkot Hospital and he spent the month of January there. (We have also had a part in caring for the women and children in Taxila.) Dr. Helen C. Sharp, who was needed in America for several years, has been reappointed and expects if possible to go back with Dr. Hunsberger this fall to assist in the heavy work at Sialkot Hospital.

In less than a year India has met with a sore loss in the death of three of its very efficient, devoted missionaries. After some months of suffering the Misses Kate Spencer, Kathryn Beattie and Lois Buchanan were called to their reward. Who now will go to carry forward the noble work to which they gave themselves so sacrificially?

EGYPT

Egypt has been free from the bombs and invasion of the preceding year and our Mission has carried on its work without any interruptions. Its schools, with record enrollments, also suffered from the high cost of foods and other commodities and had to have extra grants in their estimates. Some of the missionaries have been ill and in need of hospital care but so far as we know all are now fairly well again. It was rather alarming when in about four months four of the teachers under our Board married men in the service but we are glad to say all have continued to carry their school work throughout the year.* As no short term teachers could go out from America it was very difficult to arrange for all the vacancies but some recruits were brought from Syria and graduates from our own schools were called in to help so altogether the work in the schools has been very encouraging.

Fifty-seven Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held, and 1,857 pupils were enrolled under 103 teachers. There was no interference from the Government in any of this work and much good was done. The work of the Bible Women's Training School in Tanta was greatly blessed, too. Four girls completed the course and received new Testaments containing their diplomas. The Bible Women's work has been carried on steadily under the direction of the few missionaries who were available for that service.

Dr. W. T. Moore has been the only American doctor in our Tanta Hospital. He has been assisted by native doctors and three American nurses. Dr. Moore has had the burden of this hospital without more than two or three weeks vacation for several year.

Miss Elsie French who has given such good service in the Ezbekieh School, Cairo, returned to America last September for furlough—three years overdue. The Mission has granted immediate furlough to Mrs. William Fennell and the Misses Helen Martin, Evelyn McFarland and Nellie Smith. A number of others are to come later when assurance is given that missionaries detained in America can take their places.

THE SUDAN

The small force of workers in The Sudan has carried on the work with with great credit, some of them being alone in a station. Miss Aulora McIntyre was the only American missionary in Wad Medani; Miss Mary Ewing, R.N., was the only Women's Board missionary in Doleib Hill, and Miss Ray Huffman, R.N., has had heavy responsibility in caring for the clinic in Nasir, where there has been quite an epidemic of relapsing fever. Miss Blanche Soule, R.N., has had charge of her orphans and the Girls' School in Nasir.

The Coie sisters have continued their oversight of Bible Women's work in different districts. The annual institute for Bible Women, held in September, proved very helpful. There has been little sickness and few days were missed from regular work. The Bible Women have shown a fine cooperative spirit and all in all excellent work has been done in this department.

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*Constance Harper—Mrs. John McMillan. Mary Stevenson—Mrs. G. G. Gutteridge. Mabel McMichael — Mrs. Wm. Fennell. Mrs. Margaret J. Work—Mrs. A. F. Huish.

Miss Marguerite McClellan has again had the oversight of the Girls' Boarding School in Khartum North, with Miss Frances Turk, R.N., and Miss Ellen Smith as assistants and they have also had the responsibility for three outlying schools. On December 11, 1943 Miss Smith became the bride of a young Englishman, Mr. Alan Theobald, Assistant Director of Edcation in the Egyptian Sudan. However, she continued her services until the end of the school year.

Miss Marian Farquhar has been appointed to work in The Sudan and will go out in the fall if transportation can be secured. It is hoped that Miss Ruth McCreery, who was appointed earlier for the same field, can accompany Miss Farquhar.

Another party for The Sudan and Egypt sailed June 13. These were, Miss Elsie Grove and Miss Verna Pillow of the Women's Board and Dr. and Mrs. Paul Smith under the Board of Foreign Missions, going to the Sudan. Miss Jeannette McCrory, Dr. Mary L. Thompson, Mrs. Rachel Tracy Seiver under the Women's Board and Dr. Ewing Bailey under the Foreign Board going to Egypt.

At another date Miss Evva Hartig, R.N., with Rev. Morgan McKelvey sailed for India.

Another party will be sailing in July.

ETHIOPIA

Our hospital in Ethiopia has not been opened for various reasons. Mrs. A. W. Pollock, R.N., carried on a small clinic for part of the year until she was transferred for work in Western Ethiopia. After a long, tedious trip by truck she reached Sayo, visited there for a short time and later located in Gore where she is opening a clinic.

The school in Addis Ababa has been well attended and has done good work in teaching both girls and boys. Mrs. Ruth L. Walker has had charge with several native teachers as her assistants.

The two missionaries previously mentioned as going out from America this year will be located in Western Ethiopia. One new missionary has recently been elected for Ethiopia. It is hoped that work may be opened up in some of the new areas that have been assigned to our Church by the Ethiopian Government.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Women's General Missionary Society in our foreign fields are: *Support in Egypt of 5 missionaries and 46 Bible Women; India — 50 missionaries and 32 Bible Women; Sudan—12 missionaries and 22 Bible Women; Ethiopia — 4 missionaries. Under †Maintenance in EGYPT: (1) Hospital, Hospital residences and (1) Dispensary in Tanta; (1) Welfare Center in Cairo and (1) Missionary Residence in Luxor; (6) Girls' Boarding Schools; (6) Day

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*Support of missionaries includes salaries, language teachers, travel, sanitarium, itinerating and station expenses. The salary paid at present is $800.00 per year. Sending out new missionaries is an additional expense and includes outfit money and traveling expenses to the field. The traveling expenses are naturally very high as they are in proportion to the long distances usually traveled by missionaries now coming on furlough or going out to one of the fields.

†Maintenance of institutions includes taxes, repairs, furniture, instruments, garden tools, seeds, food, clothing, books, medicine and itinerating; salaries of superintendents, nurses, teachers, doctors, Bible Women, matrons and servants.

Schools; (4) Community Centers and the Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh. In INDIA: (4) hospitals in full and (1) in part; (5) dispensaries; (5) Boarding Schools; (48) Day Schools, and (20) Ladies' Bungalows. In SUDAN: (1) Boarding School and (1) Day School at Khartum North; (3) Village Schools; (4) Missionary Residences; (1) Bible Women's House, and (1) Community Center. In ETHIOPIA: one Girls' School in Addis Ababa and one small clinic in Gore.

The estimates granted for the ensuing year are:

Egypt	$ 88,715.00
India	76,167.00
The Sudan	27,721.00
Ethiopia	15,236.00
Total	$207,839.00

These estimates do not include outfit money, traveling expenses or salaries for new missionaries who may go out in 1944, neither do they include furlough salaries for missionaries now in this country.

We are grateful to societies and individuals for the number of salaries that have been pledged and paid. We hope and pray that a number of unpledged salaries may be undertaken during the coming year, thus arousing more interest in the individual missionaries. Unpledged salaries have been paid from the Foreign Missions General Fund and we are thankful that the Lord has again enabled us to close our accounts without going into debt.

We wish to thank the Board of Managers of Columbia Hospital for the kindness shown to our missionaries who have needed medical care during the past year. All the recipients are grateful, too, for the splendid Christian service rendered.

FOREIGN SALARIES

April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944

Credit Balance, April 15, 1943		$ 30,653.02
Receipts		
By Presbyterials, Congregations, Sabbath Schools, Individuals, etc.	$ 57,988.18	
By 1942 Thank Offering (designated)	113.00	
By Young Women's Special	800.00	
By Junior Special	800.00	
By Income on Bequests	915.04	
By Transfers	22,746.88	83,363.10
Total		$114,016.12
Disbursed		81,522.56
Credit Balance, April 15, 1944		$ 32,493.56

FOREIGN MISSIONS GENERAL

Some of the money received by the Foreign Department is designated and of course is placed in the designated account. All that is undesignated is kept by the Treasurer in a ledger account which she calls FOREIGN GENERAL. This money is used as the work seems to demand in the judgment of the Board.

April 16, 1943 to April 15, 1944

Credit Balance, April 15, 1943		$ 29,465.23
Receipts		
By Presbyterials, Congregations, Sabbath Schools, Individuals, etc.	$ 25,318.83	
By 1942 Thank Offering	75,000.00	
By Legacy	300.00	
By Lapsed Annuity	500.00	
By Young Women's Special	4,022.50	
By Junior Special	2,198.86	
By Income on Bequests and Investments	5,491.21	
By Transfers	35,955.35	$148,786.75
Total		$178,251.98
Disbursed		155,444.66
Credit Balance, April 15, 1944		$ 22,807.32

Honor Roll

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

Here follow the names of all who have paid their pledges in such fashion that there was no deficit in their account when the treasurer closed her books April 15, 1944:

	Number of Salaries Pledged
Allegheny Presbyterial	1
Avalon Congregation	1
Bellevue Congregation Organizations	1
Eleventh Congregation Organizations	1
First Church Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society	part
Second Church Women's Missionary Society and Y. P. M. S.	1
Sixth Church Organizations	1
Albany and Vermont Presbyterials and Friends	part
Argyle Presbyterial	part
Arkansas Valley Presbyterial	1 and part
Beaver Valley Presbyterial	1
Boston Presbyterial	1
Butler Presbyterial	1
Caledonia Presbyterial	1
Rochester Congregation and Sabbath School	part
Cedar Rapid Presbyterial	1
Chartiers Presbyterial	1
Chartiers and Greenside Avenue Congregations	1
Chicago Presbyterial	1
Cleveland Presbyterial	1
College Springs Presbyterial	1
Conemaugh Presbyterial	1
Mrs. John A. Miller	1
Delaware Presbyterial	1
Walton Sabbath School and Congregation	1
Des Moines Presbyterial	1
Detroit Presbyterial	part

Hudson Presbyterial	1	
Idaho Presbyterial	1	
Indiana and Mansfield Presbyterials		part
First Ohio Presbyterial	1	
Kansas City Presbyterial		part
Pittsburg Congregation		part
Keokuk Presbyterial		part
Kiskiminetas Presbyterial		part
Lake Presbyterial	1	
Los Angeles Presbyterial	1	
Mercer Presbyterial	1	
New Wilmington W. M. S. and Y. W. M. S.	1	
Monmouth Presbyterial	1	
Woods Sisters	1	
Monongahela Presbyterial	2	
Homewood Congregation		part
Mt. Lebanon Congregation	1	
Shadyside Congregation		part
First Wilkinsburg Congregation and Organizations	1	
Second Wilkinsburg Congregation	1	
Sixth Congregation and Organizations	4	
Mrs. Archie Morrison		part
Muskingum Presbyterial	1 and part	
Nebraska Presbyterial	1	
Ohio Northwestern Presbyterial		part
Oklahoma, Uncompahgre Presbyterials and a Friend		part
Oregon Presbyterial	1	
Philadelphia Presbyterial	1 and part	
Boulevard Sabbath School		part
Fifth Congregation		part
Puget Sound Presbyterial		part
Rock Island Presbyterial		part
San Francisco Presbyterial	1	
Southern Illinois Presbyterial	1 and part	
Marissa Congregation	1	
Sparta Congregation	1	
Steubenville Presbyterial	1	
Westmoreland Presbyterial	2	
Wisconsin Presbyterial		part
Wheeling Presbyterial	1	
Xenia Presbyterial	2	
Young Women's Special	1	
Junior Special	1	

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. J. D. Sands,

Secretary of Foreign Missions

The Year in India

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN

Abbottabad District

(Mr. and Mrs. Paterson are the faithful evangelistic workers associated with our Mission in the work up near the Frontier. They live in Mansehra, a few miles north of Abbottabad.) Mrs. Paterson writes:

THE year 1943 was spent in the usual round of visiting the three centres of Balakot, Batal and Oghi—the two latter being small dispensaries of my own—and during the cooler months, Haripur, Havelian and Abbottabad for gospel portion selling. Mansehra seems neglected at times, but it gets a few visits. One of the chief interests in Balakot is the lepers in the Leper Colony. Poor things! they are glad of a visitor and gather round to hear what I have to say. I had the pleasure of taking Miss Howland with me on one visit to Batal. She had to sit on the verandah while I saw patients as the rooms are so small. The road to Batal has been much improved and the ride up in the big wood carrying lorries is quite good—also when lightly laden or empty, good for a shake-up. Coming down they are always overloaded and look dangerous enough.

"In some villages the opening for Gospel preaching is difficult to get. Indeed, one's welcome is not always a warm one and it is only by dint of perseverance and patience and a definite resisting of the Evil One that anything is accomplished. This is also the case in Oghi and the surrounding district. A different atmosphere pervades in those places that have been longer worked, such as Balakot and the other towns south of Mansehra.

"The book-selling shows an increase over 1942—1470 portions sold. Much prayer might be offered for these gospels. Many doubtless find their way over into tribal territory to which I am close in Batal and Oghi. This seems to me one of the most profitable sides of the work and another is in homes where one is well-known and welcomed and the Book is listened to with interest. There are a few such. One elderly lady sitting down on the bed beside me remarked—'Dear me, there are so many lies around. Now, let us have something from your Book of Truth,' and she and her family 'listened in.' For three or four years I have been allowed to read only the Old Testament in that home, but of late we have come with willingness to the New Testament. Not much is seen as yet for the work done; all the same, I have a firm conviction that something is going on, which either we or others will have the joy of knowing about one day."

W. F. Patterson.

BADOMALI AND PASRUR DISTRICTS

God works in marvelous ways His wonders to perform. Truly may His name be praised for the progress of His people in Kirto congregation. This congregation though far from a mission station has been greatly blessed. There are 1212 souls here with 715 communicant members. Sohal, one of the seventeen villages which make up the congregation, is the one of which we wish to write. Among the Christians here a good percentage are tithers. Elders Nathaniel and Khair Din have taken a great joy in leading their fellow villagers in this act of Stewardship. The women have taken a keen interest in their share of the giving.

Some years ago when the people of Sohal were younger Christians, Elder Nathaniel felt the need of a "Prayer room." He made it himself from tithe money which he and his family had set aside. It was only a small mud structure, nevertheless it was reverenced by removing shoes before entering. This is a custom of non-Christians when entering mosques and temples and one of which we can all approve. This little edifice was the scene of many fervent, simple prayers, prayed with the faith of little children. It was no less the place of praise, thanksgiving and the singing of psalms and hymns and spiritual songs led by the elders. Daily sunrise saw the worshipers in their places.

More recently the people have built a church of which the outer walls are of baked brick and the inner of unbaked brick. It is truly all theirs for they built it with their own money, time, labor and prayers. The women also took a definite part in the building, all the while remembering to lay aside the first fruits of each harvest for their pastor. These women are outstanding in their service for the King. Praise Him for them.

Within the last year wedding bells rang for one of the daughters of Sohal. The custom of India expects the bridegroom to be accompanied by a large party of relatives, friends and neighbors to the bride's home. In this case the bridegroom's party was surprised to find that a number of marriage ceremonies which were relics of heathenism had been discarded. This is not only a real step forward in Christian practice but also a witness of true Christianity.

Among the men in the groom's party was the brother of the groom, Barkat. Barkat is a teacher and an elder in Basiwala which is a part of another congregation. He was so impressed by the joy of the Sohal people in their church and the simplicity of the wedding that he became a leader in his own village. He was instrumental in making the village school a place for morning and evening services. One new feature is that he is reading the Bible through in these meetings. His name Barkat, translated, means blessing and that he is. No doubt he too is thankful that his brother and bride are now attending the Theological Seminary.

Daniel, also of the wedding party and of the village Basiwala, took his turn. He too is a teacher but in another village which is in a third congregation. He interested the people and their elder-elect in this village in building a church. Although he later left for work in another place the people finished the work. It was our privilege to attend the dedication of this church a few weeks ago. It is located in the heart of the Christian section therefore making it easy for the people to attend both the sunrise and evening services. We were surprised to see so many men and women present in both these daily meetings despite the fact that Bible School was held daily at our camp. A real cause for thanksgiving is that without missionary aid not a cent of debt hung over the little church on dedication day. Some of the Christian men in the armed forces contributed toward the expenses.

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." Pray that each village in which there are Christians may become such a place.

Laura MacLachlan.

Mary Kyle.

CAMPBELLPUR DISTRICT

Another year has passed with the world still at war, and it has given many opportunities to witness that the Lord can grant peace that passeth understanding to those who know Him. It seems that we have met with death and its accompanying hopelessness for these people who are out of Christ much more often than usual this year. We have been in many homes where word has come of loved ones killed on the battle front, in some where the head of the family has been stabbed in the back or shot by an enemy, in some where a loved one has died of flu or pneumonia, but the hopelessness is always the same. Their religion has no comfort or peace of any kind to give them and it is impressed on us again and again that at such times the world has nothing to give. There is joy in telling of the hope and peace we have in Christ, but without His Spirit in their hearts they can't experience these things.

We were able to get to some of the far-away places of our district this fall, where we haven't been for three years. We found the women eager to listen to His Word. We think of a few cases where they seemed very self-satisfied, but in nearly every such instance, as we told of the love of God for them as revealed in Christ, we noticed tears in their eyes. Sometimes it seems that a real heart hunger is covered up by this spirit of satisfaction. There are some precious souls among these village women and surely it is His will that some of them should come to know Him.

We are rather encouraged about some of the Christian people in Campbellpur these days. They are showing much needed signs of revival. Many lovely young women are included in those interested and we are especially happy for them.

Janette Howland.

GUJRANWALA CITY AND DISTRICT

Usually missionaries receive their start in city zenana work under the wing of an experienced missionary. There was no chance of that for me in Gujranwala with both Miss Bennett and Miss Scott in America, but Mrs. Raj Kumari Jiya Lal—one of our very finest Bible women—took me with her to the zenanas every day and showed me how with an audience in friendliness, in anger, in eagerness, in boredom, in honor, in dishonor, she can witness gloriously for the Lord. Many times a day, many days a month, I heard her give the "old, old story of Jesus and His love," and it never lost its thrill for me, as she spoke out of her deep personal acquaintance with the Lord, and her knowledge of the Scriptures. A much enjoyed part of the work was the selling of Scripture portions, particularly along the crowded bazaar streets through which we passed.

Our city visiting was entirely among non-Christians, whereas our district work was mostly among the Christians. Our chief district work was helping in the Bible Schools held in various village centers for a week each. It was a constant inspiration to me to see what the Lord could do for a village crowd through the intensive teaching of the Word for a week. This year we took our bicycles along to camp and were able to get to a good many out-of-the-way, neglected villages, where an Indian pastor or teacher had not been recently; and we could enter a little into the compassion of the Lord for all His sheep that are without a shepherd. A great volume of prayer goes up constantly all over the Mission for the Lord to raise up more leaders. How we pray for revival for ourselves and for our Indian co-workers that we may be able to tend His sheep!

Margaret Ballantyne.

GURDASPUR DISTRICT

The following is a translation of part of the report of the two Bible Women who have been working in Gurdaspur for some years:

"Thanks be to God that although there is so much trouble and distress in the world these days, yet there seems to be real spiritual hunger in hearts. People hear the Word of

God gladly. Especially when lying on beds of illness, many ask us to pray to our Lord Jesus Christ. We ask, 'Do you believe the Lord Jesus Christ is able to heal?' 'Yes, we know that He has power. He can heal us.' Some ask, 'Has anyone else power to heal?' We reply, 'No, no one else has power to heal. For this reason we pray to God in the name of Jesus Christ. He promises —Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you! He who asks, believing, shall receive.'

"One mother whose beloved son was very ill asked us to pray for him. We prayed and God graciously raised him up. After four months we visited her again. She said, 'I confess that I am very sinful but God had mercy upon me. My son was nigh unto death and the Lord Jesus Christ brought him back to life.'

"Once when we called in a wealthy home where the daughter was ill, they said, 'Come, pray for our daughter. She has been ill for many days.' Her father was sitting near and it confused me a bit to have a man present. The Lord rebuked me, 'Are you afraid of man?' Jesus gave me courage and I prayed. The whole family said, 'Now, she will recover.'

"Please pray for us that through us, weak as we are, God may show forth His glory."

These two sisters are to be congratulated on the week of good work they did out in camp in December among both Christian and non-Christian women.

Euphemia Y. Stewart.

LYALLPUR DISTRICT

One of the most satisfactory bits of work this year was in connection with two communicants' classes in Lyallpur during the hot weather. The "course" I worked out (or should I say the "anthology," since parts of it were taken from many sources?) was taught to both classes, and after being examined by the Session nearly thirty new members made public profession of their faith the last Sabbath in June. I have long felt that we needed a much more impressive service for that occasion, and had done some work along that line also. The new members answered all the usual questions, though some of the longer comprehensive ones were broken down into four or five shorter ones, and then knelt for prayer. There was a general prayer for the group, then a brief individual prayer with the laying on of hands on each one, asking especially for the fulness of the Holy Spirit, and then another general prayer. This was followed by the questions to the congregation, a welcome to the new members, and a blessing. The whole service was one which I am sure will be long remembered by those who shared in it. We had the whole form printed so that each literate member present might have a copy. It has since been used satisfactorily in another city congregation; and, after translation into Punjabi, in at least one village congregation this winter.

This winter in camp we have had communicants' classes in two places after the evening meetings, which has sometimes meant carrying on until eleven or eleven-thirty at night. We used the same material, and in both places have at the end of the week seen a sizable group ready for public profession. We have talked a long time about communicants' classes, but it is going to take this sort of demonstration work to show the pastors what is meant.

The lessons which we have been teaching this winter on the Christian home have borne fruit in more than one village. We know of families where there has been definite decision to have family worship, others where there is a new attitude about making Christian marriage arrangements for their children, and others where we feel that hereafter baptism of their children will mean a dedication of their little ones to the Lord. Our ears have grown weary of the oft-repeated request, "Make my boy a Christian," when the rite of baptism is what they are seeking, and we hope that the idea of dedication has taken hold on some hearts. We have had a good time also with the lesson on keeping the Sabbath, taken from Neh. 13. The details of that chapter fit closely enough into their lives that they see the point! This whole idea of Christianizing the home holds tremendous possibilities for spiritual growth in the church.

Frances E. Brown.

SANGLA DISTRICT

The only school work we have in the village this year is among adults and that has not been regular. As an inspiration for those who are trying to teach we had a short methods course with an expert as a teacher. He was alive to his job and made the work profitable and interesting. I learned much from him and for the first time saw the real possibilities in the primer for adults. Of the many who began this year, a few have made real progress and three are now able to read the New Testament.

The year has been one with much spiritual growth for many in the church out here, and our workers have shared in this blessing. A source of inspiration and help has been a monthly prayer list. They have been thrilled with the answers to united prayer. The most outstanding concerns a baby. His Christian parents have waited long for a son and being a bit weak in faith they visited a *pir* (peer, holy man) and gave him a sheep as an offering for a son. A son came and they called him Pirram Ditta (given by the pir). When they asked the pastor to baptize the baby he didn't like the name and asking why, got the story. He told them only God could give such gifts and refused to baptize the baby until they changed his name. This was an opportunity for personal work with these parents and he used it. They changed the name to Samuel (gift of God) and learned the story of Hannah and her son. They have grown spiritually.

Sometimes we feel that our work among non-Christians is of little value. We tell the Story and they listen politely or nod assent but take no real interest in our message. This year I've added the names of four non-Christians to my prayer list. The first is just marked, "the old lady from Hunjli." We had told the wonderful story of Christ the Way in a home and then urged the women to seek for themselves, not to take our word nor the word of their own leaders, but to ask God to show them His True Way and then to ask for courage to follow that Way. As we left one older woman followed us out and said something to the Bible Woman. By the time I found out that she had said, "May God remind you to pray for me that I may find the true Way," she had disappeared and we had no way of tracing her without arousing suspicion. God has reminded me to pray for her, and we shall be back in her village soon. May He bring her to us again.

In still another village is a new wife who went to a village school in Sialkot district, and there learned about Jesus Christ and learned to read the New Testament. She wants to be baptized but her husband is opposed. So far she has been unable to convince him but the pastor in her village is working with this group of people. Her testimony may yet bring this whole group of families to Christ.

We covet your prayers for ourselves and those who work with us that we may be used to bring not only these but many, many more to a full knowledge of, and surrender to Christ.

Laura Reynolds.

We had a new experience this year at Karyal camp in helping to build a new church. The first morning we piled sun-dried bricks on the heads or hands of youngsters who carried them to the masons. They were eager to help build but they were also conscious of the molasses sugar reward promised to all who worked. Young girls carried bricks for an hour in the mornings before going to the cotton fields. Two or three evenings they carried, some as many as twenty at a time, from the brick kiln to the church. The night the wood for the beams, doors and windows arrived from Sangla by oxcart, the Christians' joy knew no bounds. They were like children with the Christmas gifts as they showed us the wood when we went over for the evening service.

Bahlolpur hasn't aspired to a church building yet but they built a platform, level and plastered with mud, for a worshipping place.

In another village in which spiritual life is very low, some teen-age boys have been meeting for prayer each day after their work in the field. They have built up mud walls for a small room and are very anxious for help to get the wood for the roof beams so they can have a worshiping place. They have collected $3 from not too-interested grown-ups but want that for a table and chairs. It will take $35-$40 to get the needed wood. We are looking forward to meeting and helping these boys when we camp in that section soon. Surely God has some great blessing in store for them and through them for the Christian community.

High prices for produce has meant more ready cash in the hands of some village Christians and there is more interest in buying the New Testament. One day Hakim Bibi appeared at our door with the price of a New Testament in her hand. (She is one of the women who has learned to read recently.) I said, "But you have a New Testament." Then she said she had sold it to a Christian boy home on army leave, for, as she said, "I knew I could get another from you and he did not know where to get one."

We are very grateful to our Heavenly Father for the peace we have enjoyed this year and for the good harvests in the Punjab. Prices are high but there is no shortage of food. There have been open hearts and open doors to the Word, and we praise Him for that and for the signs we see in many places of new life among the Christians. There is great need for revival in the church but there are signs of the working of the Spirit. Keep on praying.

Margaret Murdoch.

SARGODHA DISTRICT

Our hearts have been deeply stirred this year by all the Lord's goodness to us. In a new and wonderful way God has proved again His never-failing promises. The end of the year 1942 found us rejoicing because God's Spirit had done a perfect work in the heart of a well-to-do Sikh landowner and enabled him to make an open confession of his love for Christ and receive baptism. Six months later—early in 1943—our prayers were again answered and another well-to-do Sikh was won to Christ through the joy and witnessing of this first new convert. We give praise for the way God has blessed and used the faithful teaching of a humble village pastor to prepare the way that these two men might accept Christ as their Lord and Master. There are several others seeking the Truth. Do help us to pray them into the Kingdom, for the church out here needs such leaders.

While we were praying unitedly at our Annual Meeting that the Lord would raise up leaders in His church out here, what did the Lord do but lay His hands on this very new convert and inspire him, while he was reading in the Acts about the beginnings of the early church, to draw up a scheme similar to the system of deacons but along Indian lines. It was all done with much prayer and when an opportunity was given him to present the scheme to Presbytery the self-support pastors were enthusiastic in their support of it and are cooperating in carrying it out. Pray that this inspired scheme which looks to the full shouldering of the responsibility by the Indian church of its own people may be blessed of God.

Time and space do not permit to tell of all the year's varied programs and activities but some of the encouraging things for which we give thanks are: 1. The number who have learned to read the Word of God for themselves this year through the Adult Literacy method. 2. For the great increase in the thank offering given this year by the village women. 3. For the number of new pastors ordained and installed in our needy congregations. 4. For the number of new little village churches that have been built and dedicated this year. 5. For the number of Bibles and Gospel portions sold to non-Christians and the interest shown in the zenanas by the women there when hearing of a Savior who loves them and who died for them too. And for the two women who are truly seeking the Truth. Pray that the Spirit may have His way in their hearts.

Though we have had some heartbreaking problems, still the year as a whole has been most encouraging and we give praise and thanks to God for all His goodness to us.

N. Addaline Brandon.

SHEIKHUPURA DISTRICT

Sheikhupura District has roads which are problematic, to put it mildly. One's whole touring program depends on the winter rains. There are good canal roads which are closed to traffic when wet. There are other good roads which are deep with dust and sand in dry weather and impossible in wet weather because of the saltpeter. Last January the rains came and when we voted to try to get out, the oxcart drivers said, "impossible." We managed one short Bible School only from a canal bungalow. However, we were able to be out all of February. One week was spent in Martinpur at which time one of the professors and several boys from the Theological Seminary were with us.

In November and December we had no weather problems. During November we traveled by bicycle—the tents and other equipment that could not be carried in the Sahib's trailer were carried in one or two oxcarts. Our longest move was 18 miles.

Thank offerings have been very encouraging this year. The total for the city and district was about three times that of last year. A village school teachers gave us Rs. 10/as a thank offering because she had passed in a certain examination. Splendid wheat crops caused other grateful hearts to bring their gifts. The most touching incident of all was when a village woman, who had within two months lost both her husband and a son, from pneumonia, came, saying, "My husband and son have both died but I want to bring my thank offering anyway."

The schools are very small, few and far from perfection but they are making their imprints on the lives of boys and girls. At Christmas time the children in one of these schools presented the Christmas Story in drama and song and recitation of Bible passages in Punjabi. Nearly all the women who listened that day were non-Christians. (This is the school mentioned last year as not having a teacher.)

Helen Artman,

Alice Hill.

SIALKOT DISTRICT

We aim to camp five months of the year
Among our people far and near.
The tent is plenty warm by day,
But winter nights are cold, I say.

To light the stove there is no oil,
So into my bed I like to coil
And pray for crowds which heard that day
And each of us who failed some way.

It rained before when we were here.
They greatly needed rain this year,
So flocked to us when we first came
To ask that we would pray for rain.

We prayed when met together that night
And told the people what is right,
That Water of Life is what we give
And all who drink of it shall live.

Theresa Brownlee.

ZAFARWAL DISTRICT

It might seem that teaching the same Bible stories in ten Bible Schools throughout the district during the winter months would become monotonous. The difference in the groups of people taught, brings the interest. Two Bible Schools held in December of this year may illustrate this difference.

We pitched our tents on a very dusty plot of ground near a village where tents had not been pitched for many years. No Christian man or woman in the village could read. About one-third of the Christian women came faithfully to the classes. Learning to recite a portion of the Bible was a new experience to them. What joy it gave them to know that they too could learn! They were not able to learn many verses but what they did learn they remembered.

With a sense of relief from the deep dust, our next camp was pitched on a grassy plot of land with a large grove of mango trees on one side and a grove of mulberry trees on another side. The town of Nainikot is one of the larger places of our district. The Christians are economically more independent but are also more worldly-minded than in the smaller villages. Some of the men can read and one girl who reads helped to teach the women. These women could learn more readily but did not try as hard as the other group. We have not been able to persuade these people of the need of baptism until this year. Six women and fifteen men were baptized and received as members of the church. These and six other women partook of the Lord's Supper for the first time. We believe that this experience will be a real blessing to them.

The Word of God meets the need of each group.

Helen V. Weede.

HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL JHELUM

"Today I have just finished reading the Gospel of St. Matthew, and although I read it very imperfectly, I have received many blessings from it and shall start to read it again. Yes, I have had troubles, trials and disappointments too numerous to mention but my heart is singing with joy. All troubles are forgotten in the joy of having my wife, children and brothers listen sympathetically to God's Word."

As he related this Khan Z. spoke not as a servant to a master but as one Christian friend to another. I remembered my fears when Khan Z. announced he wished to be baptized in the summer of 1942. How I prayed for wisdom that I might guide him aright. He knew that persecution would come sooner or later, yet he was willing to endure it and die if necessary for Christ's sake.

After our return from Annual meeting where he was baptized, I started teaching him and his two brothers to read "Ilm ki Chaubi." They did not recognize one letter of the alphabet and for months it was slow uphill work but Khan Z. was determined to read God's Word. I have seen him perspiring profusely, not from external heat, but from the effort put forth to master short sentences in the primer. Now he reads God's Word, slowly, but with real understanding. He says grace before meals and there is reverence in the hearts of those who listen. The old bitterness has gone forever. Khan Z. is supremely happy in his faith.

Three years ago his son Aslam went to church and on hearing the name of Jesus, dashed from the church with his fingers in his ears. This Christmas he took the part of the angel Gabriel in our Christmas drama and his little sister, Zebo, also had a part. A new baby, his fifth, has been named Joseph.

Just after New Year's day an uncle came to visit and Khan Z. was able to bear witness to his new faith and his joy in Christ, declaring that he could cut him in pieces if he wished but he couldn't make him deny his Lord and Savior. The uncle finally even broke down the bars of convention and ate with him.

The hospital work continues in spite of high cost of medicines and equipment. We had more new outpatients this year than in previous years and 545 new indoor patients. Forty-seven new babies were welcomed by Good Samaritan Hospital, the best record for many years.

A few weeks ago a convert died leaving his son of twelve years and daughter of fifteen to me as a legacy. His only desire was that they might remain under Christian influence and both live to serve the Lord and Master whom he loved.

Elizabeth F. McConnell.

ELLIOTT DISPENSARY PATHANKOT

Praise God for even the smallest service rendered to suffering women and children through Elliot during the past year. They need these precious medicines and care just as badly as in the days when it was easier to make ends meet.

The year's record shows 4040 new patients and 11562 treatments. Eleven emergency cases were accommodated for a few days. Every time this happens we wish for better facilities, since it seems that emergency cases cannot be avoided.

The returns for the year indicate an increase of 1500 new patients over last year. The fact is that the only effect felt by Elliot from the opening of the Hindu dispensary in the city has been a decrease in the number of maternity calls, which has, of course, affected our income.

One special cause for thanksgiving was the securing of quinine, a result of the inspection by the Inspector General of Civil Hospitals of the Punjab. Also after this, a notice was received of the sanction of a gift of rupees seventy-five for purchase of apparatus.

The Bible-woman has been faithful in meeting the women as they enter the verandah, giving the Gospel message illustrated by pictures, and selling some Bible portions. To some who came from distant villages the message was entirely new.

Euphemia Y. Stewart.

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PASRUR

The past year has been a difficult one because of many changes. There have been three different non-medical superintendents and also a change in doctors. In September Dr. Bower left and Dr. Hakim Din did not come until November, but the nurse and dressers continued to carry on a little dispensary. The Bible woman, Mrs. Magghar Daz, must resemble Anna, the prophetess. She has been a widow for many years and is one who lives in the presence of the Lord, faithfully carrying on her witness and giving the message of salvation to many.

In November our hearts were encouraged and many made happy by the coming of Dr. Hakim Din. She has served in our Sialkot Dispensary for many years so is well known in Pasrur. She had been widowed in October. Her sorrow and the comfort she has received make her a greater blessing to those who are in any trouble.

We face the new year with thanksgiving for the staff the Lord has provided and hope the hospital may continue to be a means of blessing to many and its service may be to the glory of Him who had compassion on the afflicted.

Mary Kyle.

MARY B. REID MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SARGODHA.

The hospital work has been most encouraging during the past year. The total number of patients treated was 3937 and the returns numbered over 22,000 which means that many of them hear the Bible message a number of times while waiting their turn to see the doctor. During the year 337 patients were entered in the hospital. Each patient has at least one relative with her, and all hear of the Great Physician who not only heals the body but saves from sin.

One day a mother brought her four-old-son to the dispensary for treatment. He was very thin and weak and for months the poor ignorant mother listening to the advice and suggestions of friends and neighbors had tried one thing after another without avail. A friend had told her a sure cure was to heat coal tar and pour it on the baby's head. Finally someone who had been to the hospital suggested that she take her baby to the Mission Hospital. It took days of careful treatment to clean the little head but needless to say there was great joy and thanksgiving in the heart of this mother as she saw the precious little child improving day by day.

Pray for those who hear the Word that they may come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Betsy Fleming.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SIALKOT

Folks who are poetical or clever may enjoy Annual Report season, but such as I with only an ordinary head and it full of long columns of figures, think of reports as a task. The missionary personnel in this hospital has been reduced and reduced until we are just two left for full time work. Miss McKelvey and I are trying to keep things intact until relief comes. Of course our first and greatest need is an American doctor. In former days it was thought that only a woman doctor would be acceptable but these last few years Dr. Hamburger and Dr. Bergsma have exploded that theory. *We have good and experienced Indian lady doctors but their qualifications do not meet the requirements of the Nurses Registration Council for conducting a training school. Our training school is of fair size and importance in this part of India, and it would be a great loss to Indian Christian Womanhood if we had to discontinue it. So we need a doctor with qualifications to* *satisfy the Nurses Registration Council and a white face to satisfy the peculiar (?) taste of some Indian patients. We think we have a happy solution for this year but it does not make our need for a doctor any less.* Dr. Vroon who is located in Taxila has been asked to accept the title of Medical Superintendent of Sialkot Memorial also, and make visits from time to time to Sialkot. Then our Indian Sub-assistant doctors go for two months at a time to work with Dr. Vroon in Taxila. We felt this bit of encouragement and extra training was necessary to keep our Indian doctors happy and contented. So far we have been very fortunate in keeping our staff. Several hospitals have lost most of their nurses and doctors to the Military. Just today Recruiting Officers were here to dangle the salary and possibilities of enlisting as Army doctors, before our Medicos. They did not seem much impressed but were amused when the officer told them they would be refused if they were "good looking" or "shy". One doctor laughingly said, "I wouldn't be refused for either of those reasons but as my four brothers are still missing from Singapore my mother would not want me to go into the Army."

We are glad Gwynaeth Porter makes Sialkot her headquarters and we enjoy first hand reports of the beginnings of the Public Health venture that she is conducting. In February she will take charge of the second term of our Preliminary Training School for Nurses located in Ludhiana.

Glendine Lundquist

Evelyn McKelvey.

TAXILA HOSPITAL

Much has happened in Taxila since I wrote my report a year ago. As we look back our hearts are full of gratitude to God for all His many blessings and mercies. He has spared us from the horrors of war and famine, and allowed us to carry on our work in peace and quiet and comfort. It has been a big year for us for we have had more patients, more operations, and more opportunities to preach the Gospel than ever before.

We have been happy to have the McArthurs with us during the past year. Just a week ago they left us on the first stage of their journey to America. Mr. McArthur helped with the business end of the hospital work and Mrs. McArthur with the Evangelistic work among women. Their many years of experience have contributed to the work and we are sorry to lose them. We are praying for a full time evangelistic missionary for the doors are wide open in Taxila for us to enter and give the message, and the villages around give us a cordial welcome when we go there. We are looking forward to having the Campbellpur district missionaries with us for a month this winter. Last winter I spent 12 days in their camp and enjoyed the visits to the villages and am getting to understand their work better.

This year has had its sorrows as well as its opportunities and joys for God has called three of our workers to a Higher Service, we believe, though it is hard to understand why they should be taken. Last January a short time after we dismissed our Bible woman she became ill and died in less then two weeks. A week before her death, her daughter gave birth to twins in our hospital and was there when her mother died.

As mentioned last year because Dr. John Samuel's illness was a long one we secured the help of another Indian doctor, Dr. Andrews. Last April, after only ten days illness, God called him. What a time of sorrow that was for his wife and six lovely children, and how hard for all of us to understand why such a father should be taken from his family, but God makes no mistakes and has greatly helped, and comforted the bereaved ones. As it was in the midst of our rush season Dr. Bergsma came up from Sialkot for two weeks to help us and then sent one of the Indian lady doctors from Sialkot who was here with me for two months and did fine work among the women patients. She is here again with me for the month of January while Vroons are in Sialkot helping in the work there.

The hardest blow of all was losing Dr. John Samuel. Though he had been quite ill for a long time we hoped for his ultimate recovery and return to the work which he loved so well, and which needed him so much. But God had other plans for John Samuel and for Taxila, and during our Annual Meeting in October, He called him Home. We miss him greatly. It is hard to find his equal—such a fine and clever doctor, a splendid Christian, and a keen evangelist. His mother, Mrs. Mary Samuel, known to some of you through her visit to America some 13 years ago, and his lovely wife, Grace, have been so fine and brave throughout John's illness and death and the hard days that followed.

Pray that the influence of his life may live on in Taxila and that some one will be raised up to take his place in the work that was so dear to his heart and we are sure dear to the heart of God, too.

Marjorie Faught.

REPORT OF HEALTH WORK AMONG CHRISTIAN GROUPS AND IN SCHOOLS

In former years the health examinations in the Boarding Schools have been done largely by missionary doctors. This year since this was impossible three Indian doctors and a Salvation Army doctor examined three boarding schols and one day school. Two of these, lady doctors, had not done this type of work before but became very interested in it. Dr. Hazari Lal of the Sargodha Hospital not only examined the school there but also went to Sangla Hill Girls' Boarding School. She found many enlarged spleens due to continued attacks of malaria. Many girls were still down with malarial fever even so late in the season, due to the scarcity of quinine. It is good to know that lately the Government has been able to release more quinine for civilian use at most reasonable rates.

Health talks were given in these schools and also in some not examined. The subjects taken up were: care of the eyes, T.B. and Typhoid, good shoes, general hygiene and sex hygiene. Health talks were also given in "Basti" Groups and a special effort was made to interest Pastors, Seminary Students, Teachers, Workers in Districts and other Christian leaders. Individuals having special needs were given advice. For instance one pastor was urged to get dental plates and another to get glasses for himself and his wife.

Dietary experiments in the schools were interesting. One school *ground* its own corn meal to make a cheap and welcome change in its diet. Another got a certain proportion of soy bean flour mixed with its whole wheat to enrich it. Two schools raised sugar cane for the girls, a welcome addition in these days of sugar rationing. Pathankot had a large crop of Pappya, a fruit rich in Vitamin A.

Here in Sialkot it is a pleasure to know that the girls' school was able to get all their corrective work done during the year including 50 tonsil operations, 20 of these on day pupils, a difficult thing to accomplish. The boys' school *reports* that it is free of Scabies for the first time in months, not to say years!

An attempt is being made to follow up Christian families with T.B. histories, and school girls with heart and other defects who have left school. Two day schools are being given school medicine boxes with a few simple medicines and tonics as an experimental measure. The first such school dispensary seems to be popular and to be filling a real need.

G. R. Porter.

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOLS

ABBOTTABAD DAY SCHOOL

From our Presbyterial Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel, comes this note with the receipt of the money sent to her: "Your societies have done so well. Your W.M.S. Thank Offering is second highest in the list and your Junior Thank Offering is first." We have only ten regular members in our W.M.S. Others attend occasionally, but on Thank Offering day we have a general turn-out of men, women and children. This year we used six pounds of sugar and eighteen heaping tablespoons of tea to make tea for the crowd. The teachers were up early that morning to mix pounds of graham flour and a few vegetables with with peppers and spices. After beating this mixture until light, they dropped little bits of the dough into hot mustard-oil and fried them to a turn. Hundreds of these were turned into baskets for serving. People eagerly anticipate these refreshments year by year. This year our Juniors entertained us with a pageant and we closed the day with games.

Our little school has been busy with work, play, Bible-study, Girl Guides, Blue Birds, with war-knitting to keep them out of mischief.

Our faithful Bible-woman is busy in the zenanas every day she is able to go. She has diabetes but she goes about her work earnestly knowing that her time may be short. When she started home on her vacation, she said, "Whether I am dead or alive, please put five rupees into the Thank Offering for me, if I am not here to do it myself."

Minnie E. Beatty.

ATARI PRIMARY SCHOOL SIALKOT CITY

has gone on much as usual this year except that the attendance has almost doubled. That meant more mats, more books and more teachers. Fortunately there is plenty of room for all in the rooms and grounds of the Jubilee Church building where it is held. Mats and books were easily provided and girls from the Normal Training Class at the Girls' Boarding School have filled the need for teachers.

A new experience in Atari's history was the week in which Miss Porter and Dr. Budh Singh from Memorial Hospital examined the children. How triumphant we felt when all the parents agreed to the needed treatments, even those requiring hospitalization. One lasting benefit of that week is a well-equipped medicine-box from which each day eye-drops, shark's-liver oil, cough mixture and bandages may be had for those who need them.

Many of these lively children coming from the poorest homes own no shoes and shiver on winter days with nothing warmer than one layer of cotton clothing, but they are full of spirit above any group I've known. Who knows but what many leaders in the Punjab Church may come from our Atari School. This is our hope and prayer.

Ruth Ardrey.

DHARIWAL GIRLS' MIDDLE SCHOOL

has had Miss Sircar as Headmistress for eleven years and last April she was made manager of the school as well. She seems to be getting along very well with the additional responsibilities. In her report she speaks of the fact that the school has grown from an enrollment of 90 to 156 and from a Primary into a Middle School, sending up five or six girls each year for Government Middle examinations..

There are seven teachers, four living in the city and three having rooms at the school.

The Woolen Mills granted a considerable increase in their contribution this year, because of increased cost of supplies.

Miss Sircar speaks of the improvement in the attitude of the girls, in that they are now willing to take their Bibles home with them. She asked a Hindu child if she prayed at home as she did in school and she said, "Yes, I read from Matthew, then I pray." Two others also speak of the interest shown in Bible by many in the higher classes.

First Aid and Home Nursing courses, knitting, Mothers' Meetings, a program netting Rs50/— for Bengal Relief Fund were among the activities of the school during the year.

Miss Sircar asks you to pray that God will make the school a bright light in the town.

Vida Graham.

GUJRANWALA VERNACULAR MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

has had an increase in attendance to the bursting point. The "ill wind" has brought good to this school in that many fathers and brothers, in war activities, have been able to make schooling possible for girls as well as boys, so that the difficulty now is to keep girls *out* of school, rather than to entice them into school!

In 1941-42 the total Christians enrolled, including a few little boys, was 67. At the end of '42-43, Christians numbered 103, the total enrollment 397. The Staff remained the same and each received the coveted "very satisfactory" inscribed on her certificate at the time of the Government Annual Inspection. The results of the Government examination for those finishing the eighth grade was just short of perfect, one girl failing in one subject only, Twelve passed. In spite of these favorable things our Grant-in-aid from Government was cut, which is a blow to our finances. But all other schools suffered with us, so we are not alone in our difficulty. Government has just become stricter about spending money.

In June and July the Staff and girls knitted up thirty-five pounds of wool, hemmed ninety-eight hankies and made one hundred fifty-four net tray covers. During the Red Cross drive for funds for Prisoners-of-war Relief they put on a play three evenings that netted Rs114 for the fund.

Bible teaching is a regular daily subject taught according to a Mission-prescribed course. It seems strange, but alas all too true, that the non-Christians are usually the most intelligent learners. How we need a revival among the Christians, and a Harvest Ingathering from among the others!

Josephine F. Merriam.

LYALLPUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

has been almost entirely in the care of Indian teachers since April 1, 1943. An older teacher of twenty years' experience in the Mission was made Headmistress and the school has prospered under her management. Mr. Ross keeps an eye on the property and Miss Brown is a friend in need to the teachers. The local pastor and his wife also help with their counsel.

The enrollment stays around 170, with average attendance of 150. About half of the children are non-Christian, the other half Christian. Our Mission Health Visitor and Adviser was very pleased with the cleanliness and apparent healthiness of the children. A box of medicine was sent from the Mary Reid Hospital in Sargodha to help care for simple ills. We are hoping that our Sangla Hill school nurse will be free to go down and weigh the children occasionally.

Whenever the District Inspectress wishes to put on a program for Red Cross or any such object, she usually calls on the Mission School to give a drama.

Indianization is our aim and Lyallpur School is one place where it seemed practicable and is working out satisfactorily.

Lois Boyd.

MARTINPUR GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

has been in my charge for one year. It has five grades, seven teachers and about 170 children. The teachers have done everything possible to make it easy for me in this my first attempt at anything larger than the one-teacher variety. The write-up that the Inspectors gave in the log-book after the annual inspection was very encouraging.

You should have been here for the inspection. Great preparations were made for it. All during the year flower-beds had been carefully tended and they had begun to bloom. Everything was swept and cleaned to the Nth degree. All the children had washed their faces and combed their hair and put on their best for the occasion. An interesting assortment of hand work was on display and various Class projects including an Eskimo snow house (made of mud, whitewashed), a model of a mountain road into Kashmir, a volcano (a pot of thick sugarcane molasses over a hot fire spouted nicely and rolls down the mountain-side in true volcano style.)

Then the Bible examinations. These children know a lot of Bible, much more than I knew at that age.

I was so happy when the children said to me, "This year do not give us a Christmas treat. We want you to send that money to the starving people in Bengal." The teachers also asked that the money intended for their gifts be sent for famine relief. Altogether it was a quite a substantial sum.

Helen Artman.

TO PASRUR GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

Dora Whitely gave thirty-one years of rich, intelligent, spiritual service. The marks of her vision and her hopes for girls' education among Christians are clearly set forth in the buildings and equipment so wisely assembled; the impress of her faithfulness and truth is upon the staff members who have been her pupils and are now leading their girls in living ways; her love for and her quest after the things which "eye hath not seen" we recognize in the earnestness of those who have worked with her through the years. This community owes much to her life of prayer and service.

We give praise for the provision of every need for food, clothing, soap and oil. Even with continued careful spending, however, the same money cannot keep us supplied next year. Our enrollment has been cut by eliminating unpromising girls. The Mission has ruled that with the new school year, girls in sixth to eighth classes shall pay a monthly fee for board, and that after summer vacation these big girls furnish their own bedding and clothing. Thereby education in the primary classes still remains free, but part of the responsibility for education above fifth grade class is placed upon the homes. This is a legitimate change at a time when there is money in the land sent by fathers and brothers in the armed forces.

We must regard it as an advantage to the church in this section that this school provides an atmosphere nearest to that of the home. There has been a continued effort to keep in touch with girls who leave school and make homes in the district, through sending them once a month simple, interesting, profitable reading material from the school office. Subjects are varied and frequently a little storybook goes out. The mailing list now numbers over one hundred.

The class for blind is still an interesting project. To our credit we say that three of the older boys this year gained entrance to the Government Technical School for the blind in Lahore, and are reported to be making progress. Saied, "the happy," well-known to friends of our school, is doing well in classes with the Seminary students in Gujranwala. The hope that he may make an evangelist has inspired those who support him.

Last April Sadiqa was the most unpromising, homely, sad-eyed little first-grader we entered. No wonder, for she had come from a home with only a widowed mother to provide everything. It has been good to watch her develop. She has become her teacher's wide-eyed helper, so interested that she is asked to sing on programs and dress for little plays. Her eyes are so bright we hardly know she is the same Sadiqa. She's found a place to grow where she has plenty to eat, a clean place to sleep, happy playtimes with other children, unhampered by the care of a baby and the constant talk about poverty. She is fast becoming a promising person.

At two different times groups of girls were prepared for church membership. The personal work with these thirty young lives may have been the most lasting work of the year.

Eva Hewitt,

Ruth M. Nichol.

JOHN AND JANE DENHAM MEMORIAL (*Avalon Girls' High Schools*), *PATHANKOT,*

saw a few changes during 1943. One was the closing of the Kindergarten and the first two classes. We were sorry to close and many of the town people feel the loss of the opportunity very much. But there is a Municipal City School for girls and with the refusal of the Municipal Committee to pay any grant towards the primary classes and our great need for more room we decided the move was necessary. By utilizing the space thus freed, we were able to put in fifteen more girls, increasing the number from 90 to 120 boarders, mostly in High School age group. Applications are already coming in for next April and we are afraid that again we will have to turn a good many away.

Two teachers left last March to get married and another for further training. Two new graduate trained teachers have joined the Staff and are doing well.

Prices are high and the problem of feeding such a large family grows more difficult. Fees have been raised but not in proportion to the increase in cost of living. Planning where and how to save continues to occupy much of our thinking. No "real drop" in wheat price appeared at the time of the new crop but sufficient for us to decide that it might be wise to lay in about eight months' supply. Deciding to buy over 500 bushels of wheat was one thing. Finding a safe place to store that amount was another. Finally we decided on the house guest room. Guests may wonder at a locked room in our house but with great pride we open to show sacks of wheat piled high. It kept beautifully during the summer rainy season and we are saving about 50 cents on the bushel.

Most of our boarders come from Christian homes but we have three Mohammedan boarders and Mohammedan, Hindu and Sikh day pupils. During the year one of our fifth-class girls was baptized. Over a year ago her father who was a Sikh was baptized and cut his long hair as a sign of renunciation of the Sikh religion. Then last summer Amar Jit was baptized. Her mother has been much opposed and has left home.

We can't tell just how much of the seed sown has taken root in the hearts of the non-Christian girls but we have had some hopes lately that one of them is thinking seriously. She has been in Mission schools most of her life but until recently she has seemed prejudiced and hard to reach. She is a Senior now and a member of our Student Council. The other day we were discussing where one of the other non-Christian girls could say her morning prayers while the Christian girls were having their Bible Reading and prayer time. We asked her what she did and very shyly she said, "I read the Bible." This has given new impetus to our prayers for her. She will soon be leaving us graduating in March, but if you and we are faithful in remembering her in prayer, we think she will come to Christ, although she has many relatives to oppose such a step.

Vida Graham.
Willa Ramsey,

In the RAWAL PINDI GIRLS' MIDDLE SCHOOL

Children work and play together,
Sometimes little quarrels are settled,
Sometimes words of wisdom issue,
Often shouts of laughter echo
Just as in all average schoolrooms.

Projects add new zest to study.
In the fifth class children modeled
Tongas, engines, horses, bullocks,
Airplanes, ships, and even camels,
Out of mud for transportation
In our land of varied methods.

Teachers two left to be married
With our wishes for their future,
Our best wishes for homes happy.
Now we welcome back Grace Samuel
To the new post of Headmistress,
Vacant since July of last year.

Doctors came and found glands many
Growing bigger than they ought to,
Showing lack in war-time diet;
But we hope to get shark-liver oil,
Maybe calcium mixt with yeast,
That they may become more normal.

As we visited one ill child
Her sal mother listening closely
To the good news of our Saviour,
Said with longing in her tired voice,
"I could wish for four hours vacant
Just to hear and learn all these
things."

One day all old girls were summoned
To sing Psalms and listen once more
To the teachings of the Bible,
And to meet old friends and classmates.
Just please pray that we may daily
Send the Light into darkened places.

Mary Evelyn Cathcart.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SANGLA HILL,

rejoices in a good staff of teachers who are taking more and more responsibility for the management of the school. A headmistress has been appointed and given authority to draw all funds which come through the Educational Department. She is faithful and accurate in her registers and is a good teacher. The Principal's assistant, also very trustworthy, has taken complete charge of clothing, bedding and most of the classroom equipment, books, etc.

The health of the teachers has been unusually good despite prevalent malaria and shortage of quinine. The pupils have not kept so well. Our medicine bill for the year was rupees 731 and would have been more had quinine been available. We've had two physical examinations by our Mission doctors and Miss Porter, R.N., and are trying to get teeth, ears, eyes and spleens treated and hemoglobin brought up. Fortunately we have a good nurse, not afraid of work and faithful in caring for the health of 165 girls, 10 teachers and the families of six servants.

Five of our girls appeared for the Middle English examination. Four passed. Next March twenty-one will appear. As I consider the classwork of the school, I can see that the girls are becoming increasingly independent and thoughtful. There is less learning by rote.

Our faith has been strengthened by some very special answers to prayer. First for our oxen which were stolen and there seemed little hope of finding them. Then one of our little girls was stricken with a terrible fever, delirious and screaming most of three days and nights. Nurse and the staff took turns caring for her while all the school prayed and God restored her. The life of one of the older girls was spared, too, by God's goodness and the faithful care of the staff. Our Christian gardener had several hemorrhages from the lungs early in September just when he was starting to plant vegetables for the winter. He had been our right-hand man during a difficult time in the summer and the manager felt that she was being sorely tried. After rest and proper treatment now he says he feels well and able for regular work.

Three times during the year kind friends have come to bring us special messages from God's Word. We praise God that many of the girls are noticeably growing in grace and the knowledge of Christ. We have had two communicants' classes, the last numbering thirty-four.

Lois Boyd.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SARGODHA,

had an enrollment the past year of 175. The school year was in most ways one of quiet, steady work, with nothing outstanding about which to write. We have 124 boarders, eight of whom are little boys.

Our youngest boarder, Jagindar Kaur, aged six, is the daughter of Harbans Singh, a Sikh convert. His son was entered in our boarding department two years ago, before his father was baptized. One day Jagindar Kaur said to her mother, "You sent my brother to school, but you do not care whether I am educated or not. I am going to be a doctor, so must go to school." She prevailed and was brought to our school. The father was away at the time, but came to see J. K. a few days later. When they had visited a few minutes, she said, "You may go now, I am going to stay here." The father said, "God has answered my prayer in a wonderful way." He had been so anxious to get the child away from the influence of Sikh relatives and under Christian teaching. J. K. says, "My father, brother, the baby and I are all Christians, but my big brother and mother are not yet."

Naziran, age seven, entered school in September. She went home Christmas and insisted on going to the cotton field with her mother to pick cotton for Church and Sabbath School offerings. She was a happy child when she returned and handed me her pocket-money that she had earned.

We ask your prayers for our school family.

Betsy Fleming.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SIALKOT,

is thankful to have been able to carry on a good year's work with record attendance in all departments from beginners' class on up through the Normal Training Department. The health in the school has been the best in years. We are especially grateful for an unusual freedom from malaria in these days when quinine is nearly impossible to get. Fifty of our children had tonsil operations all within a week. We were happy that parents of day pupils consented to this ordeal which the children cheerfully call "cutting your throat." Dr. Bergsma operated on all our cross-eyed girls with really transforming results. One of the teachers, engaged to be married to a man who had seen her at a distance only, was thrilled to have her eyes straightened before her intended came closer. We are indeed grateful for all the splendid service rendered us by our Mission Hospital here.

This year during Evangelistic Week we went out to the non-Christian homes round about and after giving a short message invited the women to come to our school for a special "Women's Day." On the appointed day several hundred women and children came. They were shown handwork of different classes and a special program of games on the playground. Then they were seated in the hall where they quietly listened for an hour to the message of God's love to a lost world.

Each class has a project this year upon which much thought and energy have been spent. Some of the more interesting are: Games and sports goods, famous leaders in India, a bazaar and industries of the Punjab.

Twenty-eight of our girls joined the church during the year. For two months previous, one of the Indian teachers took their preparation class on Sabbath afternoons. One group of girls came faithfully to the class from a village three miles away. On Sabbath afternoons our girls and teachers are helping in Sabbath Schools in four different sections of the city. In summer holidays many of the older ones endeavored to teach the Bible stories of this year's Synod Course to the people of their home village and all tried to establish the custom of family worship in their homes.

Until December 1st, Miss Ruth Nichol was with me in the school work. She was loved by all and in her one short year did much that will remain of permanent value. Since we are short of workers, she has now gone to take charge of the Pasrur G.B.S. and for the first time in many years there is only one missionary in this school. My heart has been encouraged and gladdened at the wonderful way the Indian Staff has come forward ready and able to carry more responsibility. I have renewed cause to give thanks for my fellow-workers, many of whom are products of this school.

Ruth Ardrey.

THE BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL, RAWAL PINDI,

boasts in no uncertain terms of God's faithfulness. Not only has He, in days when the cost of living has more than doubled, continued so to provide for the school that we have never needed even to ask Him to send money, but He has heard and answered innumerable prayers for girls in the school and for situations connected with the school, until our hearts are just filled with praise.

On the average of once a week requests come for trained Bible-women from all the Missions working in the Punjab, Kashmir and the Northwest Frontier Province. And what do they want? Well - educated, thoroughly consecrated women, able to carry every sort of responsibility, to go out alone into non-Christian homes, and work with any age group, in short, perfection. That's fine! It's just what we long to turn out, but what sort of material do they send us to work with? With one or two exceptions, it has been young girls of only eighth grade education or less, girls who couldn't get into any other kind of training. Most of them are below par physically, and not even above average spiritually. What would you do? Most likely just what we do—remind ourselves that we have asked God to send us those whom He has chosen for His service, then trust that He will make them into the kind of workers He wants them to be. We confess that this is the greatest strain on our faith. And yet we have seen

Him do this very thing with four girls.

Aside from regular routine, our principal activity during the spring and summer was that of congregational Bible Schools. Four of these were conducted in various centers and finally one on the B.T.S. compound for the whole congregation. For all of these the B.T.S. planned the courses around the general theme of worship. In the final one the girls assisted in the entertaining and teaching. This autumn we have concentrated on Sabbath Schools and Junior work, with a preparation class held each Saturday.

This year the really outstanding thing for all of us has been the valley of the shadow. Not that Mrs. Samuel ever consciously let her sorrow intrude itself into any of our activities, yet the shadow of it was there—the life of her doctor son, her only son, so young, so radiant, so skillful, so greatly needed, ebbing away, in spite of everything that could possibly be done. It was one of these things hard to understand which might have plunged one of lesser faith into the depths of despair. But not Mrs. Samuel, and not John's wife, Grace. If ever seeming defeat was turned into glorious victory, it was at that death-bed, and all through the long, difficult days that followed. Many came to sympathize, but it was they who went away not only comforted, but glorifying God for His wonderful work in the hearts of those who trust in Him.

Marian T. Peterson.

THE SYNODICAL

is the sister of Synod and is the Women's Association of the U.P. Church in the Punjab. It is made up of five different Presbyterials—Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Gurdaspur, Sargodha and Sialkot. Each of these Presbyterials includes from three to six towns and cities with their surrounding districts. The Synodical meets every three years but the Executive Committee of Synodical meets every year.

The Synodical supports one Home Mission field—that of Mianwali. The budget for last year was Rs. 1456, which was all paid by the Synodical. It also contributes to the Bible Training School for Women in Rawalpindi, the Blind School in Rajpur, the T.B. Sanatorium in Sanwar, and the Missionary Magazine—which we call the *Bashir-ul-Niswan.* The Synodical also grants one scholarship of Rs. 120/ for a girl wishing to go on to High School.

The number of societies in the Synodical with their membership is as follows: Women's Societies 48, Membership 1102; Young Women 8, Membership 247; Junior 40, Membership 1083.

The Synodical is doing her best to accomplish the task that has been given to her and seeks your prayers for the future. May the Lord fulfill His purpose through the Synodical.

Sakina Ditta,
President of Synodical

THE BASHEER-UL-NISWAN

has had a slight increase in the number of subscribers this year, although the advanced cost of paper has compelled us to reduce the size of the magazine and issue ten copies a year instead of the usual twelve.

The New Year issue carried an article that was translated from the 1942 *Women's Missionary Magazine.* It was timely and good, in fact so good that we were not surprised to see it reproduced in one of our exchanges, whose publishing date was two weeks later.

When the question of suspending publication of the *Basheer-ul-Niswan,* till paper became cheaper, was presented, the chorus of objections bore eloquent witness to its usefulness in church circles.

Mabel Y. Campbell, Editor.

The Year in Egypt

In the following reports it will be noted that names of places have been omitted. Since the censor cut these out it seems the part of prudence, inasmuch as the Magazine goes back to Egypt to omit them. Readers, who cannot identify the places are referred to the Directory in the back of the Magazine for location of writers.—Editor.

IN HOSPITAL AND TRAINING SCHOOL

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,

Tanta, Egypt.

AFTER the battle of El Alemain when Egypt was saved from the worst horrors of war we hoped for peace in 1943, but now at the beginning of 1944 it is said the war will last another year.

Our dread of having to close the hospital and throw some of the 45 Egyptian helpers out of work, besides not caring for the suffering, is not altogether past but we are trusting in "Him who faileth not."

Since 1939 our Tanta circle and hospital staff have been like the old song, "39 bottles hanging on the wall." All our missionary families, and six American Nurses have gone South or West. Whether due to regular furlough, ill health, fright, or Cupid the result is fewer bottles hanging on the wall. But the two American Nurses left hanging are not wall flowers. When you look for Miss McKibben one place she is in another. All you see of Miss Moore is a white streak darting from one room to another. We have three Egyptian nurses, one of whom must be on night duty, so the other two with Miss Moore in the operating room have to look after the wards and the patients in the private rooms. We have not been so short of help for 22 years. After almost five years of servic Miss Virginia McCormick sailed for Australia the first week in January. We miss her very much but we wish her happiness in her new adventure. As she was second in length of service she relieved Miss McKibben in superintending besides having charge of the operating room. Miss McKibben at times has as many as twenty special diets so she needs a full time assistant.

The difficulty of getting supplies and keeping up with the prices gives us much concern but the income has been good. We have had to give all our helpers a substantial raise in salary twice in the last three years because their living expenses have increased three or four fold.

There was a bad epidemic of typhus last winter. The U.S.A. Medical Corps furnished us with enough serum to inoculate our hospital staff and the American community. The British Consul sent us enough for the British community. Our Evangelists were hindered in their village visits on account of the epidemic. But they succeeded in visiting 38 villages and 507 homes. At least 1700 souls outside the hospital heard the Word. In the hospital all the 1061 patients heard the lesson twice daily besides the lantern pictures in the ward at night. The lessons are planned that sin be revealed and the sinner shown his responsibility to accept or reject salvation as offered by Jesus Christ. As this is the only Christian hospital in this vast Delta area North of Cairo, hundreds have heard the Word who would not have heard had we closed its doors. One hundred and eighty towns and villages are represented by patients from Khartoum to Alexandria.

A Turkish Catholic woman spent four months in the hospital; she was suffering with diabetic gangrene of the foot and lost one toe after another and finally her whole foot. At first she was a great grumbler but she learned patience and submission to God's will by hearing the Bible read to her every day, and became a delightful patient. Another woman only wanted to hear stories so she was told Old Testament stories, then stories about Jesus; why He came and so forth until she understood the way of salvation. Two other women went through the Muslim prayers standing on the bed, falling on their faces. We feared they would fall out of bed on the floor. They were told that only Jesus could save them; one argued, but she changed entirely before she left. Z—came in suffering from osteomyelitis of the left tibia. She was only 16 years old but was very antagonistic and afraid to listen. Her father had told her to beware of the teaching and she tried to keep others from hearing, but such a change came over her after 80 days' stay that she sang our songs and wanted to be wheeled into the prayer room; she also read the Gospels and marked passages she wanted explained.

Two brothers from a cotton factory took great interest in the Bible lessons and called others to hear. Two second class men studied the Gospel of Luke faithfully and asked questions. They came downstairs to the evening meeting for the workers, then to the third class ward for the lantern pictures.

A number of Nuns from the French Convent which is nearby have been patients, from an 80-year-old one with a fractured hip to a young Syrian and an Irish one who had received her education at the University of California; the last discusses our differences quite freely. It is a privilege to answer their questions and witness to our freedom in Christ.

Other interesting patients have been a fat variety. One man was so fat that we did not have a spinal puncture needle that was long enough to give him a spinal anesthetic when we operated on him. One woman who had not been able to walk for nine months and had to sit on two chairs after reducing treatment, still weighed 352 pounds. She had badly infected tonsils which we removed and now after three and a half months' stay and being reduced to 315 pounds she can walk. She has been a very co-operative patient and listens well to the Bible teaching if her friends are not around. The third fat one, a Czech, who lived in Russia for 22 years, received all of his schooling in Moscow; he also served two years in the Red army. That life left its stamp on him. He is an atheist but we gave him the Word of life to read and our Evangelist had a number of interesting talks with him; nothing is impossible with God.

We have had a number of British soldiers as patients. One was on a troop train passing through Zagazig when an Egyptian boy threw a pop bottle through the car window hitting his arm and cutting it badly, he was with us for almost three weeks and was very grateful for all that was done for him.

Pray that all of our patients may become good soldiers of Jesus Christ.

W. T. Moore.

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Tanta, Egypt

Statistical Report for 1943

No. of patients admitted:

Men	610
Women	341
Children	110
Total	1061

Nationalities:

Egyptian	904
American	24
British	22
Syrian	43
Swiss	2
Swedish	2
Greek	33
Jewish	11
Rhodesian	1
New Zealand	1

Yugoslavia	1
French	11
Armenian	3
Australian	3
Total	1061
Religions:	
Moslems	733
Copt	120
Protestant	110
Greek Orthodox	32
Catholic	27
Syrian Orthodox	16
Jewish	13
Greek Catholic	6
Syrian Catholic	2
Total	1061
Total hospital days	16,308
Average stay in hospital	15.3
Average number patients daily	44.7
Number of villages represented	180
Villages visited by Evangelists	38
Homes visited by Evangelists	507
Number of missionaries treated	25
Hospital days for same	127
Surgery:	
Number of surgical cases	566
Number of operations	612
Finances:	
Income from fees	$32,013.75
Donations	515.22
Appropriation	10,000.00
Total receipts	$42,528.97
Total Expenditures	33,175.28
Credit balance	$ 9,353.89

W. T. Moore.

NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOL

It seems difficult to write much that is interesting about a year full of routine work. Short staffed as we are, I sometimes wonder if it is courage we have in carrying on the Training School or if we are foolish. Whichever it is, we feel it is worth while to continue and do the best possible.

A class of six nurses graduated last spring and in the fall took up their work as graduate nurses. Two are with us, doing general duty, for it has been a busy year for the hospital and we needed more nurses. Two are doing school nursing—one in the Girls' College and another in one of our Girls' Schools. For a year this School was without a nurse but we are glad they have one this year for they have had a lot of sickness. I am sure Miss Annetta knows more about malaria than when she graduated for they have had a number of cases in the school this year.

Our senior head nurse left us last summer, after being with us for twelve years, to be with her sister in another hospital. Much as we miss her, for she was our dietician and helped in the teaching, such reports as her having the nurses there sing Christmas carols for the patients Christmas day, done for the first time in that hospital, make us glad for her Christian influence there.

For over a year one of our students has been sick with tuberculosis. This disease is hard to treat in this country for patients often will not cooperate. Consequently most people here think it cannot be cured. Basma has been most cooperative, is better now and attending classes. And so she is the best lesson our nurses have ever had in the treatment of tuberculosis.

There is a new class of six students this year and all are from this community except Miss Miriam who for twelve years was our Bible teacher. For a long time she has wanted to study nursing. I can't think of a better combination than Bible training and Nurses' training and I am sure she will make the best of the combination. She continues to help with the Bible work and Sitt Shamsa, for many years the Hospital Bible woman and able now to get around after being crippled many years with arthritis, is doing part of the Bible work, holding services in the wards each day.

Even now in February the hospital is quite busy, giving promise of a busy summer ahead; but we face the future with courage for it is not our work but His.

Helen Brownlee, R.N.

IN CITY AND DISTRICT NOTES OF CHEER

Things are a bit more normal here this year than last. There are four members of the station instead of two. There have been three full-time Bible-women working in the City and District since the first of September instead of the two full-time and one half-time workers of last year. And we actually welcome moonlight nights instead of dreading them.

Rifka Girgis is our new worker here, the first one we have had who was a graduate of the Bible School. She is an experienced worker, and devoted to her purpose of winning women to Christ, and we have been glad to welcome her to the work.

Um Munir, the evangelist's wife who was our part-time worker last year, is giving full time this year to the School, where she is making an efficient and thoroughly satisfactory head teacher.

The crowded condition of buses and lack of other traveling facilities have rendered work impossible in some of the villages formerly visited. However, we find plenty to do in the city and in the six towns and villages still visited.

The Alumnae Society of the Girls' High School was revived in April 1943, and meets once a month on the school premises. A Girl Guides company meets there once a week. There are people all over the city who are looking forward to the day when the school will be reopened and they can send their girls to school again.

The writer, who is halfway through her tenth year of service since furlough, is looking forward to the privilege of visiting the homeland as soon as she gets sailings after some one comes from America to take over the work here, but does not, at the time of writing, have a clue as to when that may be. Meanwhile she is thankful for health and strength to "carry on."

Ethel L. Weed.

LEADERS OF WOMEN

These are days when special leaders are chosen for a specific work which needs specially trained leaders. Four trained leaders go out each day on a specially difficult, yet happy mission, calling in homes of sorrow and joy, teaching Bible lessons to others; helping a young woman who has been deprived of schooling, to read; leading meetings and attending and planning missionary meetings. Another leader goes in and out among fifty girls who gather daily each afternoon for sewing and a Bible lesson. Sometimes suggesting ways of making over an old coat; supervising Red Cross work; giving a talk on care of sick and infants; teaching the girls a new game or song (this they love) and when time the missionary will give a demonstration on candy making or cakes and American cookies. This leader will gather the fifty girls in the chapel for forty-five minutes of devotions. There are possibilities in the group, of leaders and even now those who are willing to take an active part, began in the school or this club. After the devotions, one hears the volley ball and the basket ball thumping around on the courts, mingled with the shouts of the girls. Another group may be reciting verses memorized for the prize, a Bible. So it goes on month after month with these trained leaders. There is no examination record, no government, inspectors, no orderly classroom, but just as you find them in their homes. One may walk several blocks to call only to find the women washing or baking. These leaders keep on at their task.

Last year the Thank Offering meeting for the Presbyterial was to have been in our city. But owing to war conditions, scarcity of trains and expense, we each one had our meeting of the district. In our chapel we had two hundred women for the day. All bringing their lunch, those coming from the outlying towns were here to fellowship with us. As the leader of the devotions in the afternoon finished, an English lady sitting near me said: "That woman is a leader."

We do ask that as these trained leaders go out among the homes and as others train young women in the club, that they may be led by Him. We covet your prayers daily for these trained leaders and for the homes and missionary meetings they touch weekly.

Frances Patton.

WOMEN'S WORK IN THE DISTRICTS

It is of the Lord's mercy that I have had another year in service and I thank Him for it. It has been a great privilege to be with my fellow-workers here, to see and to share in their work.

There are eleven Bible women in the two districts, eight of whom are graduates of the Bible Teachers' Training School.

Three workers live in the Girls' School building. Part of the week they work in the city, each in her own district. Other days they go out usually by twos to places in the province, reaching them by train or by autobus. They find open doors more than they can enter. In addition to giving out the Word, they sometimes add other service. When a near neighbor had pneumonia after the birth of a child they went several times a day to minister to her until her relatives arrived from a distant place.

Two other workers live alone in towns where their witness is much needed. Although they have had very little education they do know the Lord and are glad to tell others of His love.

Three of the Bible women in our district live each in a different town, but in the same house as teachers of schools. In addition to their visits in three towns, they go out to eleven smaller places to visit or conduct meetings or speak at mournings. The youngest worker has a weekly meeting for women and girls in the town where she lives. Her message of salvation is clear and the women come to her to unburden their sad hearts. The oldest Bible woman, in spite of ill health, visits many homes. She has also had a Bible class for girls who were taking a special course in sewing. F. has to help her family financially, as her father is dead, having ruined the family by drink. However she carries on bravely. She is deeply concerned for the salvation of those whom she visits. The fourth Bible woman is the wife of an evangelist and they do part of their visiting together. Although she has never been to the Bible School she tells of salvation by grace by faith alone, manifesting itself in a life which is pleasing to God. Two younger workers live in the Bible School and visit both in the city and in places not too far away. They sometimes walk to these smaller towns or go by train or bus. They have a deep concern for those who have never accepted Christ. All of us thank the Lord for the interest and gifts of the women and children of the church at home and earnestly beg for their prayers that the Lord may be glorified in us and that souls may be saved.

Marion A. Paden.

BIBLE TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL

Our work here is like that of a ship builder, who spends hours and months in building one ship, all the time awaiting the day when his ship shall leave the sheltered harbor sailing out into the deep. Full well he knows that if he has built well day by day, his ship will pass unscathed through the gravest perils and severest storms reaching its desired haven in safety.

This year four more daughters of the school have gone forth into needy places to carry the message of Life and of the More Abundant Life. They took their certificates during a quiet little service in the school late in December. Faiza is beginning here and in villages nearby. Emily has gone to the South, Elaine and Saneya to work in nearby cities.

As they have gone forth to join the ranks of other graduates from the school, we think of the wide field, the open doors before them, of the appalling need all about them, and of the trust which is committed unto them. We have taught them to know the Power that is in them, the Risen Saviour Who goes with them, the Loving Heavenly Father Who watches over them and we know that nothing will prevent His working in them and His using them to glorify Him except their unresponsiveness as He deals with them.

Our confidence as they go forth is not in them but in Him who is able to complete that which He has begun: He is able to deliver in peril, to uphold in temptation, to save unto the uttermost, to keep from falling, to make all grace abound.

Sometimes we see our girls as watered gardens in the midst of the desert, again as lights shining forth in dark places holding forth the Word of Life, and again as trays upon which the Master offers food to the hungry and drink to the thirsty. Is it any wonder that I count it a great privilege to have a part in training girls for a service like this? How precious a privilege to open the Word to them!

Instead of graduating in June, we gave these four girls the opportunity to return after the summer for extra work and especially for more practical work visiting with more experienced workers and getting out into the villages. They asked to study Paul's 2nd Epistle to the Corinthians which is full of messages for all Christians but especially to us who serve, making us appreciate the glory of the service and Him Who calls us, equips us, transforms us, and keeps us from losing heart.

Six new girls joined us late in September. Beside the others they seem like rather raw material. Thus we begin each year with a new group building day by day line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little, there a little and before we can realize it their three years of training are over and they, too, are ready to go forth to sow the word.

How do we spend our days? O, doing all sorts of things—planning courses of study, teaching, advising and correcting, trying to buy kerosene, cooking oil, sugar, cloth (all sold by ration cards) seeing about repairs, working on committees in connection with the church, making out accounts and reports, looking in on the kindergarten next door and visiting in the homes of the children, keeping house every other month, studying, etc., etc. There's enough variety to give it spice—and it's all of His grace that He enables me to serve Him here.

Laura B. Wright

A VISIT TO ONE OF OUR CITY CHURCHES

In order to go to this church you will have to take the street car from the center of the city. You will be fortunate if you can squeeze on and cling to a door handle or a steel rod or some of the machinery at the end of the car. The lines to this Church now make use of the new underpass under the railroad. We go very slowly as the cars are overloaded and they are also in very poor condition.

If we arrive at the church about ten minutes to nine we shall see the children gathering for the closing exercises of the Sabbath School. The boys come from the classrooms of their day school which is in a rented building about a block from the church. There are usually over four hundred in attendance and the church is too small to hold them. They sit in the choir section, or on the platform and extra benches and small chairs are brought in for them. The pastor, Rev. Iskander Abiskhairoun, himself teaches new songs to the children. They are ones the choir has learned and he wants them to learn them correctly. Four hundred children do make a good deal of noise in spite of the fact that he tries to hold them in a bit.

While the closing exercises are going on the choir is having a final rehearsal in one of the classrooms, with rather uninspiring results I am afraid. After the children have been dismissed with a fair degree of order the older people begin to fill up the church. Very few children stay as there would be no room for the adults. As it is, they, too use the small kindergarten chairs set in the aisles.

At 9:30 the pastor enters the pulpit and bows for a moment of prayer and the choir members come in during the prelude. There is quite a difference in the singing of the first and second songs as many people come in late. But they love to sing and they are learning to follow the organ and the choir. If they make mistakes the pastor has the choir sing a verse that they may hear where the mistake is and correct it. At present the choir is using for special numbers new songs in the Psalter-Hymnal and in this way the people gradually learn them. Rev. Iskander is a good preacher but his sermons are rather lengthy and the service usually lasts an hour and a half. The offering is taken up after the sermon and two sets of plates are passed. The first is the regular church offering and the second is for a building fund.

The pastor is a busy man as he superintends the two primary schools for boys and girls. It is a heavy task in these days of changing government requirements and of high prices. He is also chief inspector for all of the Synodical schools. He has helpers but he has the chief responsibility. In addition to this he has a weekly prayermeeting for the women Tuesday mornings which the older girls in the school attend also. The Girls' Circle for older girls in the church meets on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Choir practice is Friday afternoon and Christian Endeavor is Friday evening. There is also a mid-week prayermeeting. He has a regular schedule for calling on the church members, reading out their names on Sabbath morning and stating the day he expects to visit them and if it is not convenient for them they are to let him know. It is inspiring to be connected with such a live and working church. I tell everyone that Rev. Iskander is the best pastor in the country. The Evangelical Church needs your prayers that she may become more interested in the evangelization of this land.

As last year my work with the Bible women has been curtailed by my work in the office. We still keep on hoping our people may get back from America to take over some of the work. A good deal of our time, money and energy goes for the entertaining of soldiers. May the nations soon learn to seek the will of the Lord so that peace may come soon, and these men may be able to go back to their homes.

Venna R. Patterson

CITY EVANGELISTIC WORK

We have much to be thankful for and do praise God that another year has passed and our work goes on, in spite of the fact that it didn't seem possible that we could carry on, with the fewness of our numbers. And now we are looking forward to the arrival of those who are at home and I am hoping to return to America this summer, after nine years here.

One of our retired Biblewomen passed on recently after many years of weakness, following faithful service in the welfare centers which have done so much to relieve suffering here in this city. Our present welfare center is carrying on under Miss Gomer, a nurse, a graduate of Hospital Training School. In spite of opposition and some fanaticism, we have had more than in previous years, and the impossibility of getting helpers has made it very hard on those who are there, but they are carrying on willingly. I am given the privilege of doing what I can to help them, in the absence of Miss Jane Smith, but we are looking forward to Jane's arrival.

Our home is still open to our soldier friends but many of those whom we had known for quite a while and enjoyed very much, have been moved to other centers and ever since the summer, there is scarcely a week that we do not say goodby to some of them but we hope and pray that the touch of home life they have had here may help them and we have certainly enjoyed them. One of the great joys is to meet those who come from our own towns at home or who know some of the same people that we do. I have had some such pleasant experiences.

It wouldn't be a fair picture, if we didn't say something about the high prices. The bonus which we have been able to give our Biblewomen, through the kindness of the Woman's Board, has made it possible for them to keep going, but the biggest problem is the question of clothes. They having only the necessities at the best of times, soon find themselves in need of things which are very difficult indeed, to get, or very dear. Fortunately the government has controlled the price of bread and flour, and of kerosene, the common fuel, and to some extent, that of sugar, which has helped, as their main food is bread, but you can see that they can not have a well balanced diet, with great increases in all the other prices. We trust that conditions will soon change and life be made more possible for them. We need your prayers, for this matter of living for those on small salaries, is really very serious and only He can bring relief.

Nellie Smith

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN

The visiting in the homes has been carried on regularly through the past year. At the end of the teaching year, the last of June, we examined each Bible reader in her reading and memory work and each one who had completed the prescribed work received a pocket edition of the New Testament. They were all happy over the gift and those who had not made the effort are trying now.

We are still able to get a car to take us on our village rounds—though very expensive. But we have to go very slowly and carefully because of wornout tires. And unless some new tires are soon available we will be compelled to restrict our visits. We are going to a village twice a month now and we hold a Girls' Club and the Women's meeting the same day besides the visits we make. But we are going on the little railway that runs out there. It is as decrepit as the old tires but it does not go slowly nor cautiously! That trip is good training in patience as one is never certain of arriving at any set time!

Last March Mrs. Galloway, Miss Dwight, and I spent the better part of a week visiting the Village Women's Missionary Societies at the time of the Annual Thank Offering Ingathering. The welcome we had was so cheering. They are longing for the return of Miss McCrory and Mrs. Bailey and they do need their help and guidance.

Our Girls' Clubs are always a great joy and challenge. We have only been able to keep two going this fall but hope soon to reopen one and start one in two villages near the City. The girls attending the Club come and others go as they get married or other duties make it impossible for them to attend. This fall we have had a "full house"! Neither seats nor song books enough when they all gather in for the closing devotions. And where can one get either chairs or songbooks these days! We now have a large group of girls who have never learned to read. Some of them forget almost all they learned from one Monday to the next but all are making some progress and are learning Bible verses and stories. The rest are divided into three groups studying the Gospels, the Acts, and Genesis. We are short of teachers and some of the graduates of the Girls' School have been doing volunteer teaching for us. We have quite a crop of Brides-to-be preparing for their new homes in the handwork hour and we are still doing some Red Cross sewing and knitting. At Christmas the girls collected Five Dollars as a gift for a blind woman who used to be a Bible Teacher. She is very destitute as so many are in these days of distressingly high prices. She was grateful for the gift but I am certain that the joy of the girls was greater. Our hope and prayer is that each one may open her heart to receive the Lord. Then what riches they will have to give even though they be poor in this world's goods!

In August our dear Sitt Miriam heard the Master's loving call "Come up higher" and she answered with great joy. We miss her presence with us but rejoice that she was permitted to serve her Lord so well for so long. She came when Miss Paden was here. And for thirty years she has preached the Gospel not only by her words but also by her life of love and service. She is mourned for all over the District and her teachings are not forgotten. When her sister died she took her little four year old daughter to be her own. This daughter finished the Girls School Preparatory course and went to the Bible Training School. The Lord so planned in His Infinite Wisdom that she should be finishing her training when Sitt Miriam had a first slight stroke. So she came home to work with her Aunt and to learn her pupils and villages. She is carrying on that work. Pray for each one of us as we go out with the precious message.

(Mrs. W. J.) *Ada A. Dunlap*

ON THE "IBIS"

Truly, I can hardly realize that this year 1943-44 is more than half gone. By extended summer vacation for extra rest, and being away on the *Ibis* no doubt account somewhat for this feeling of the fleeting of time. But these experiences were not without benefits.

From the rest, I gained some in weight and strength, besides enjoying pleasures and friendships, first with the Hamel family after our household was closed, then a similarly pleasant stay with Miss McKibben in her apartment. Thus were September and October spent. November in my own district was full after such delayed absence. I began with visits to the city and then trips to villages in the district. In between times were Girls' Club classes, which had been eagerly awaiting my return.

The first week in December marked a trip on the *Ibis* to a village visited two years ago. We were welcomed with a good attendance of women and children for our meeting that evening. Their need is for a church and a Christian school—a continuous ministry in their midst. From December 9 to 23, I joined with Miss Davida Finney on the *Ibis* stopping at a number of villages.

After Christmas our Annual Association meeting quickly rolled around. This is always a memorable time of fellowship along with our problems.

While the *Ibis* was having some repairs Miss Finney and I, with two of our workers, visited several places, going by taxi. We had attended meetings in two large churches where we were greeted by many fine women. Miss Finney's work is Literature and encouraging libraries, while I encourage the women's meetings and Girls' Clubs.

Beginning from January 9 we had another two weeks on the *Ibis* visiting villages to the south. We found one new church school, which was very encouraging—a clean, spacious new building and adequate teaching staff. One room was for the library. This month is the forerunner of our March Presbyterial so we are in the midst of preparations for Thank Offering meetings.

We praise God for comfort and blessings in carrying on our work in spite of war conditions.

Lucia Dwight

DISTRICT VISITATION

At the present the Women's Work in this district is in charge of three married women, Mrs. Scott Thompson, Mrs. Neal McClanahan and myself. We each give as much time as we can to the work and try to keep it going till Mrs. Seiver returns. However, I very much fear that our combined effort does not add up to that of one full-time worker; for we each have other duties that require a great deal of our time.

In this district we have five partially trained workers living out in the villages, and at present largely under the direction of the local pastors, and one trained worker living here but giving most of her time to work outside of the city. We also help direct the work of two trained workers supported by our Missionary Societies. One of these resigned last summer and, I'm sorry to say, her place has not yet been filled. Both of these young women have worked in the city.

One of our great difficulties has been to find sufficient time for visiting in the district with the district worker. For this reason we are particularly grateful to Miss Dwight and Mrs. Dunlap who have each given to our district two weeks of intensive visiting during the winter. They lived on the *"Ibis"* and visited daily in the villages accessible from the river. Our trained district worker, Miss Julia Hanna, accompanied them and has been greatly helped by their counsel and sympathy.

We are thankful to say that so far the war has not closed any doors to our work. The opportunities are as many as ever—in fact, more than we can cope with.

We are, of course, like others, facing the problems which come with the war—mounting prices. When Government figures show that the cost of living is two and one half to three times what it was before the war, nothing but a miracle can make our Bible Women's pre-war salaries adequate. These mounting prices are also making travel in the district difficult.

In closing may I say that I, personally, am most grateful for the opportunity which I have had to help, even in a small way, in this work. However, I'm sure the district will welcome Mrs. Seiver, on her return, most cordially, for they are sadly in need of some one who can give them more time and direction.

Margaret G. Russell

HOME BUILDING

During the past year the Bible Teachers in our City and District have carried on their work faithfully with very little supervision. In recent months we have lost two good workers by marriage. One of these girls has established her new home here and the other one in a distant city. We hope these new Christian homes may be a blessing and a witness in the community in which they are located.

The Girls' Club has continued to be very faithful in its work. At Christmas time we distributed among the poor 27 dresses made by the Girls' Society. They also gave a generous offering. Because of the serious malaria epidemic the poor people here have suffered greatly from want. So it was very gratifying to have a good White Gift Offering, both in money and materials, from the church, the school, and the Girls' Society to distribute among the poor and needy folk of the town.

Nearly all the churches in the Presbytery contributed to the Thank Offering last year, so there was a good increase in the offering. The women expressed their gratitude for God's providence and protection. In these days of war and suffering, we have much to be thankful for in being able to carry on our work here.

Clara M. Skellie

FROM KINDERGARTEN TO COLLEGE

AMERICAN GIRLS' SCHOOL

The months of the year slip by so quickly that it is hard to realize that another school year has come and almost gone. This really should have been my furlough year, but I am thankful that, like so many others, I have been privileged to continue in the Master's service here.

It has been a good year in our school of 200 girls, and all the government inspectors have been pleased and helpful, and again we are thankful for their improved attitude towards the school.

In June, 1943, this school presented 13 girls for the Government Primary Examination, and all of them passed. Three of them had to be re-examined in Arithmetic, but were able to pass their second examination. That is the largest graduating class in the history of the school. It is encouraging to note also that 10 girls out of the class of 13 have gone on to some type of further study. Three have gone on to Secondary Schools.

The annual Christmas program, which is always presented in both the school and the church, was well received this year. The church was full and many of the women were non-Christians. I was thankful and pleased to see them show a more reverent and appreciative spirit than they have in other years. Oh, how we do hope and pray that the spirit of Christ might enter their hearts. The Christmas White Gift offering from the school came to more than $45.00, and has been given to the orphanages and other needy places.

The Sabbath School attendance this year is better than any previous year since I came here four years ago. Many of the alumnae girls come back when they are at home for vacations or when they have the opportunity, and we are always glad to have them visit us.

We are planning to purchase some new books for the Nina S. Brittain library. This has been made possible, thank to the generous gifts of our good friends, the Brittains. The older school girls and many of the alumnae girls are enjoying the library privileges.

We know that you pray for us because we are abundantly blessed as your prayers are answered.

(Mrs. J. C.) *Constance H. McMillan*

NOTES FROM MY DIARY

Old Five-Year Diaries and notebooks were handed to a close friend, before our exodus, two years ago. Now they have been returned to the writer. The books cover the years from 1924-1942. It has been an eye-opener to the missionary, showing the advance made in education during that period. This has not been due to any personal executive but because this country has awakened to the need of education for her women.

"In nineteen twenty-four, six girls graduated, with one hundred twenty-five on the roll and seven teachers."

"Nov. 1, 1930—A picnic was given to the teachers thus celebrating our goal of one hundred seventy-five girls on the roll."

"Nov. 11, 1943 — Thirty-eight girls finished fourth year government examination. Sixteen of them are entitled to free secondary education, the coming year, because their grades were the highest in the province."

Notes from this year's book: "The Street Sabbath School goes on steadily week by week. One of the boys from our boys' school has helped the teacher. He made prizes for the youngsters from his old Sabbath School cards."

"The teacher in charge of the Sabbath School has Bible in the day school. Her remark to the missionary, 'For two years I have been teaching Bible as any other lesson. Homework with notes to be kept and even punishing when poor recitations were given. Now, I am teaching souls, not lessons.' "

This year's book has a few items: "An inspector after finishing his remarks to the teachers turned and said, 'You give your girls and teachers something that is not in other schools. I have been here all day and have heard no swearing from the rooms or halls or the office.' "

"Must call on Kamelia this afternoon. She is to be married next week and it is our duty. Have attended her three sisters' weddings. Kamelia's mother and grandmather graduated from the school; her grandmother taught the women at the oven on baking days to sing the psalms."

We have discovered that figures are not all the records of the school. We find a record imprinted on their lives, as we visit in the homes. Our prayer is that each one of us may be teaching souls the Way , the Truth and the Life.

Frances Patton

IN THE HOMES OF OUR GIRLS

Among the most satisfying activities of the year 1943 were visits in the homes of our pupils. It was even possible to spend a day in several homes of boarders, who live in the country. If we had a car we could do much more of this. As it was, our patrons provided taxi service for us which was very thoughtful of them.

Throughout the year it was possible for our school to gather for worship unitedly in spite of the ominous threats experienced from time to time. The children themselves prefer it this way. One day when a teacher was visiting in the home of some new non-Christian pupils, the mother asked how it is that we teach our faith in the presence of all the pupils, rather than teaching as many faiths as are represented by the personnel of our student body. The children, fearing they might thus be separated from the rest of the class, protested vigorously that what they were hearing was "very nice" and they did not want to be deprived of it.

The death of one of our Protestant women teachers made it possible for many of the non-Christian pupils to attend a Christian burial service. Some of them commented later on the helpfulness and comfort of such a service.

The routine work of the school has gone on much as in past years and we are continually thankful for our many blessings. Our hearts have been warmed by the excellent S.S. attendance and the increased offerings, though times are hard, especially for the very poor of whom we have many.

I am in my 8th year and hope to return to the States soon, God willing.

Eulalia D. Grether

FIFTY PLUS ONE—IN A BOARDING SCHOOL

The year in which we are now working seems very uneventful compared with last year which was so full of the preparation and excitement involved in celebrating our fiftieth anniversary. And although many people received pleasure from the celebration, we can truthfully say we are glad we're not fifty years old every year. Both of us now find that we have much more time for supervision and the many other details of running a secondary boarding school. We are thankful for a full staff of competent teachers although we now have the problem of having those in the primary department certified by the government.

We are sorry to report that our gardener, who has given us so much pleasure by his excellent work and has made our school famous in this district for the beauty and neatness of the grounds, has gone completely blind, and because of his age and other ailments we have little hope that he will be able to work again. We miss him greatly, although his two boys are carrying on well in his absence. Our two hundred eucalyptis trees which we planted last year are flourishing and in a few years they will add much to the beauty of the playground.

A very important event in my career has been the completion of my Arabic examinations. But how can one spend so much time and effort and know so little! At any rate I now have a little more time for the work of the school.

Now that transportation is becoming more possible we are looking forward to the time when we'll have more workers and will be able to undertake new projects which seem to us very important in the education of the girls of this land.

Sincerely,

Mary C. Thompson

HANDICAPS IN OUR SCHOOL

I do not think an army caught in a pocket ever looked forward to reinforcements more eagerly than we watched for the arrival of Miss Kingan at Esbekia this year. Finally, at zero hour, when Miss Reid had been in bed since the week after Christmas, when the doctor had told Miss Grimes she should take a month's leave of absence (which she did not do), in the midst of mid-year exams, she arrived. We let her take off her hat, she did not want to take off her coat as we have the coldest building in the mission, and we pushed her into the class-room. Since she seemed to be proving capable, I developed yellow jaundice the next week and was sent away to Dr. Moore's hospital. So there are still two doing the work of five. I hope that once before the year is over, we may all be equal to our tasks again.

As I look back over the year so far, much of it seems like a nightmare: Teachers resigning with no notice, maids quitting, trying out new cooks, etc., etc. But there has been much that has been encouraging. We have had to turn away boarders and turn away students in certain of our classes. The girls gave generously in their white gift offering this year. They told last week before the chapel how they distributed it; some of it went to orphanages and some to poor families.

We know we are not running the school as efficiently as it should be—but we are "holding on." We are doing the little bit we can, and leaving the growth to the great Teacher.

Margaret J. Huish

AMERICAN COLLEGE FOR GIRLS

(*American Mission*)

Another year, the school year of '42-'43, closed without any interruption because of the war and that was cause for thanksgiving. However, in some ways, it proved to be the most difficult of all of our war years up to that time due to shortage of staff and an unprecedented amount of sickness among the staff we did have. I dislike to think back on the many difficulties we struggled through but we did manage to complete the work of the year—in a creditable way—I trust.

This school year marked the completion of twenty-five years of faithful service given by Dr. Helen J. Martin to the college, twenty years of which she has been principal. When this announcement was made by Dr. Elder at our commencement exercises on June the 11th, the enthusiastic applause of the large crowd present that day showed in no uncertain way the high esteem in which Dr. Martin is held by her hosts of friends.

Our present school year is bringing us even greater challenges for service in a record-breaking enrollment of more than 700 girls. Scores of pupils have had to be turned away for lack of room in the boarding department as well as in the day school. The problem of securing sufficient help for teaching is still acute. Seventeen of our own graduates are teaching full or part time but valuable as their help is we are still badly in need of American teachers. We hope that it may be possible for them to get out to us soon. The problem of administration is a serious one as missionary members of our staff, due and long overdue for furloughs, need to get home. However, this seems almost out of the question until replacements can be secured from home.

It has been interesting to meet many of our American military, men and women, during the past months. At the request of the American Red Cross and under their supervision I have had the opportunity of visiting American boys in military hospitals. For several months I spent a part of one afternoon a week visiting our boys in British hospitals. Then since the summer I have gone out to our American hospital to visit in the wards. The patients are wonderfully well cared for and everything that is possible is done for their comfort.

Sarah B. Meloy

A MOSAIC OF SERVICE

My own "work", when I look back upon it, seems too much a matter of odds and ends, bits and scraps, to be worth a "Report", but perhaps our Master, like the mediaeval mosaic-workers, can use such bits, (if given into His hand) to make some picture that will be of value!

Teaching, visiting, entertaining and being entertained, housekeeping, domestic rationing problems, straightening out tangles and dealing with the "unexpected which always happens"—what has it all to do with missionary work? I suppose the answer is in the human contacts afforded, and of these we have a rich supply, of all kinds!

Our Music Department is growing, having eighty-eight enrolled at present.

Miss Marson, our fine English-trained music teacher continues to turn out good singing from both her own private pupils and from the classes. She is now preparing, in the Musical and Dramatic Society, an Entertainment called "Market Fair", which is to contain over 60 songs from traditional sources, to be given in Old English costumes. Last Semester, her pupils gave a Russian Program of piano solos, songs and Folk-dances, which raised £5.25 for Mrs. Churchill's "Aid to Russia" Fund.

This semester we have sponsored, for the first time, an Orchestral Concert for Students in our own Dales Hall. The Orchestra was the Palestine Orchestra, of whom Toscanini himself said that he had never conducted a finer body of musicians, and we were fortunate in having Crawford McNair for Conductor and to make explanatory remarks on the music. So it was a real privilege for our own students and the groups who came from the Government Higher Schools, and others.

We also had a very fine Concert offered to the whole school, without charge, by a body of fine artists who have been sent out by "Ensa" to provide classical programmes for the troops. This was greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

Others will no doubt be telling of the activities of our Alumnae, in Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, in Volunteer Band and in filling up gaps in our teaching staff, but I might mention the pleasure it is to have three former students teaching in our Music Department as well as the fine spirit shown by another Alumna in a Schedule which, at her own request, contains a number of extra-curricular activities such as Student Council, "Blue Triangle" (Y.W.C.A.), Christian Endeavor, etc., in which she is trying to get a larger measure of co-operation and fresh life.

Scripture Union has grown this year until our sitting room is crowded out and we may have to find a larger place for the monthly meetings.

We are all interested in the new campaign for a Library Building which has been inaugurated in connection with our 35th Anniversary. It seems to be meeting with a good response, one of the Alumnae having led the way with a gift of £E.100!

Much of my time has been spent in the home, since my mother is now nearing her 90th milestone, but even within four walls one finds many contacts which can still be maintained with the work of the world outside, and we still have many a soldier on leave dropping in to share a meal and spend a few hours. So that we have many links with the battle fronts and with homes on other continents from which come grateful letters—grateful beyond all proporiton to the time and trouble expended.

M. Stella Robertson

A TOUR OF THE COLLEGE

Just what should come in "report of work" this year?

Change of name? Truly that was a very big step and a very nice one but you have heard of that already —so—what else?

School? It goes along much as usual.

Arabic study? Yes, there is a bit left, but I hope to finish it all up this month—and how grand it will be to have that slate wiped off. How does Arabic help me out at school where English speaking is stressed all the time? It helps just where it should the most—in Bible classes. As soon as the girls get a working knowledge of English they "take" Bible in English. They know very many of the Bible lessons in Arabic, but as you can see, it is rather a big step to switch suddenly to English Bible. So we speak English in the class, but we have our reading, verse finding drills and memory work all in Arabic. It's a happy combination when teacher "knows" Arabic.

Social times? Our Saturday night "at Homes" come in here. There seem to be many soldiers here yet, and many of them enjoy coming to our Home. Those who have gone on write back such appreciative letters that we know that it is worth while. When a new group comes I like to take them on a "tour" of the place. They like to look into empty classrooms and hear what goes on in them. Many of them want to enroll in the kindergarten—it's such a pleasant room. Most of them are surprised to hear what a thorough course of education goes on here. Our science laboratory, sewing, cooking and music rooms surprise them so that I sometimes wonder if they think that the "three R's" are enough for the modern miss. But when I take them over to the chapel, then we really get down to our real mission. It gives me a wonderful opportunity to tell why we are really here. Here's my chance to tell a bit about the religion of this country and how it affects life. Sometimes my "tourists" and I are "one in Christ" and then what a precious time we have talking about the things of the Lord. Other times there are questions and doubts that have been troubling and then what an earnest time we have as I prayerfully try to give the reasons for my faith. As you can see by the time the "tour" is finished we are no longer strangers. Our newcomers are our friends.

The future? That's all unknown, but "hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Yes, and He has guided in every step of the way, so it is grand to trust the future to Him also.

Mabel McMichael Fennell

AMONG OUR SEVEN HUNDRED COLLEGE GIRLS

This is Friday evening and our school week has again come to a close. Our school days are busy, as usual, since we continue to have a very large enrollment. We have over 700 on our roll this year, 72 of whom are boarding pupils. That is about twice the number we had in pre-war days, and it has meant that we have to expand in a number of ways. Naturally, it makes the classroom work more difficult, especially with our shortage of staff members. For me, it has made a difference in the dining-room. We have a regular family of 95, and at noon on school days 215 people eat in the dining-room, which has a capacity of only 150 when everyone is seated; this means that we have a second service for the other 65. Dishes have to be washed, and the tables set again, in time for the girls and teachers to get back to their classes at the end of an hour noon period.

We have some opportunity of serving our own country and the allies by entertaining soldiers. We have open house for men of the forces every Saturday evening, serving them a simple dinner and then singing, listening to music, playing games, or visiting. We have men from all English-speaking countries, and they seem to enjoy meeting each other. As the war is moving farther away from us, we thought we might not have as many coming this year, but some evenings we have had more than ever before. We have an increasing number of American soldiers, a very few of whom are from our own United Presbyterian Church in America. We do wish we were able to get in touch with more of them who are here—to help them to become acquainted with this part of the world, and to be able to show them something of our work here. Any who come here should have our address and look us up. At Christmas time, we had a number of men who were in the city on leave, and appreciated having a Christmas dinner among friendly people. At the open house in the evening we had about 100 people, mostly military—and again the next Monday we served high-tea to 50 men who were convalescents or on leave. They spent the whole afternoon here, playing golf in the field, playing ping-pong, looking through the library, or just sitting in an easy chair in the garden. It was delightfully warm weather.

We are looking forward to the prospect of having some teachers out from home next year.

(*Mrs. G. G.*)

Mary Stevenson Gutteridge

FOWLER ORPHANAGE

Once again we come to our Annual Report with a feeling of gratitude to God for His continued mercies throughout another year. In all our problems and difficulties we have been conscious of his never-failing presence and provision for strength and guidance. The children, for the most part, have been kept in health, funds have been sufficient for all our needs, and we look forward to another year of service in confidence and trust in Him.

In September we sent three girls to their homes because we felt they had gone as far as we could take them. One who had finished her grade school work with us, is working as a maid in a Mission Hospital near us and frequently comes back to visit. We sent another one, but she was not willing and obedient, so they dismissed her. It is always a disappointment when it turns out like that. We have also received three new, little girls into the Orphanage since September. We sent four of our girls to High Schools this year; one is in the Carrie Buchanan Boarding School, another is in the Pressly Memorial Institute, and two others are in the Mary Clokey Porter School. It is our hope and purpose that these girls will not only do well in their school work, but that they will get a vision of Christian service as well, for their future lives.

In our Day School, we have over ninety children, beginning with Kindergarten grade and going up to our equivalent of sixth or seventh grade in America. At present we have a complete staff of faithful and efficient teachers; but we are somewhat anxious as to what may happen next year due to impending changes in the Government's standard of requirements.

It has been a happy privilege to have some of our American boys who are stationed here visit us this year. One was especially good to the children, bringing them candy frequently (and thus making himself very popular with them). He has also given the Orphanage about twenty-five dollars. Two others brought a number of small trinkets, and candy, which certainly helped to solve our Christmas present problem. Toys and trinkets such as we usually give them were entirely out of our reach in price; but due to the kind interest of these two boys each child was able to have a little gift, which one of them, dressed-up as Santa Claus, distributed.

We want to acknowledge the efficient and faithful work done by three of our former girls, while I had vacation last July. Miss Barnes would have been proud of her girls.

We have been generously remembered by societies, groups and individuals in America during the past year. We express our heartfelt thanks to these and rejoice in God's never-failing providence.

Lucy Lightowler

"PRECIOUS PRIVILEGES"

"Borrowed time" slips away rapidly. The past year has been full of "the tender mercies of our loving Heavenly Father." In answer to your prayers day by day, His work has gone forward because of Our Master's abundant provision for every need. We've had our share of sickness among teachers, but our graduates seem always ready to come and lend a hand when we need them. For this spirit of willing helpfulness on their part, we are truly thankful.

Our Thank Offering last year was the largest we ever had. It recorded daily personal blessings. Because of the increased cost of living there has been and is, great suffering among the poor people in this land. For this reason, our pupils made an extra effort in gathering their "White Gift." Their gifts were all brought in at the close of their Christmas entertainment, in which every child had had a part. Their gifts were presented at the end of the pageant, "Why the Chimes Rang," and amounted to almost fifty dollars. Our Orphanages had their share, but a large part of the gift was carried by the girls themselves to poor families whom they knew. They went "two and two," and with shining faces brought their reports to chapel the following morning. Their joy made us recall:

"Who giveth himself with his gift,
feeds three,—
Himself, his hungry neighbor and
Me."

Again we scored 100 per cent in government examinations. Some of our girls had re-examinations, but finally, all passed. We are thankful for the character training which these these tests provide. They meet girls from other schools,—some of whom may not have learned to know and trust Our Father. They find out if they really believe in answered prayer. Doors of service are opening to our girls. As they enter these doors, we want them to experience the promise, "Lo, I am with you alway." Please continue to pray for them and for their teachers. One of our teachers was urged by friends to enter war work and thus treble her salary. She refused, and in speaking of it said, "They do not know of the joy we have in serving the Lord."

The past year for me included an invigorating vacation in July on the Mount of Olivet,—a privilege which I wish every reader of this might share. For daily strength for daily needs and for the precious privilege of serving in the bonds of the Gospel, my heart overflows with praise.

Margaret A. Bell

THEY ALL PASSED

The year was a good one in every way. Attendance was a little higher than the previous year and the receipts were much higher so that they well cared for the added expense caused by the increase in all salaries. The steadily increasing cost of living made it necessary in making new contracts in June to increase salaries again. To meet this new expense all school fees were raised in the new school year. To my great surprise and satisfaction, the patrons paid them as well as they had paid the former ones.

We were happily surprised and elated at the result of our girls in the Government Primary Examination. Seven of the nine passed in the June examination and the other two succeeded in the supplementary examination and that in spite of the fact that the class as a whole was a weak one.

We had another surprise wedding. Our first year kindergarten teacher who had been in the service of the school since 1930 was carried off by one of the nicest young men of the church. She was greatly beloved by her children and wonderfully successful in her teaching. Our good wishes go with her in her new home.

Special evangelistic meetings were held in February by the Rev. Saad Saleeb. A personal interview with each girl of the highest class showed that all had a good understanding of the plan of Salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and each said she had surrendered her heart and life to Him.

The military situation in Egypt changed very markedly during the year. After two years' absence, we were privileged to spend our summer vacation at our Mission summer quarters near the sea. It was such a pleasure to us all. Because our number was so few, members of other missions were invited to occupy the empty houses and their presence and Christian fellowship added greatly to the pleasure and profit of the summer.

Carol E. McMillan

PRESSLEY MEMORIAL INSTITUTE

There are four appointees of the Women's Board still sharing in the work at P.M.I. You will know how much we need new blood when I tell you that Miss Ruth Work is due to retire this summer, Miss Sherriff and I would normally have gone on furlough in 1942 and Miss Walker is due for furlough this coming spring. But that does not tell you how thankful we are to be here nor how God has given strength for the daily tasks and has kept in health those in the homeland whom we may long to see. The workers delayed at home are the disappointed ones.

Because of war conditions we temporarily discontinued our Teacher Training department two years ago and some other special classes, but still the enrollment continues well over 500. Last May a class of 24 seniors sat on the Commencement platform. At the Government Secondary Exam later only 4 failed to pass the tests and this result placed the P.M.I. at the head of both boys and girls in this section. The Commencement service was a combined one for the P.M.I., College and the Nurses' Training School. The speaker was Mme. Fahmy Wissa, a member of our class of 1910, who spoke forcefully on the place of women in educational and national reforms.

Many new regulations affecting school work are being proposed by the Government. Some of these, if passed, would seriously hinder all Mission schools. But we are assured by responsible leaders that the authorities do not wish to hinder our work. They admit that the Government schools would not be able to absorb the 64,000 pupils now enrolled in non-Government schools.

Among the proposed regulations is one requiring all Secondary and Primary teachers, not holding certificates from the Government Teacher-Training School, to have Government approval. Our teachers have all been trained by ourselves so they are working hard to secure this approval. To date, half of them have succeeded and the others are being tested by the various inspectors who visit us monthly. If they succeed, that problem will be met for the present but when they drop out of the work we must turn to the Government for teachers. Since new Government schools are being opened every teacher they can train will be needed, so the Missions here are now proposing to open an Inter-Mission Training School, and if the Government approves we can still have qualified teachers trained in Christian ideals of life and service. The project will need much prayer and definite support.

The Christian organizations of the school have been very active. Miss Walker sponsors the Wednesday afternoon meetings of the senior C.E. and Miss Ward the intermediate. Both meetings are conducted by the girls in English with one of their own number playing the piano. I seldom attend without getting a real message for myself. Two other C.E. societies are conducted in Arabic and the rest of the classes have short prayer meetings with their teachers. Once a month the school combines into two big missionary meetings, where the classes take turns in putting on interesting programs. Their contributions of $60 were used to help support Bible women. The Thank Offering in April amounted to $210.

Today I met with Miss Mofida and her committee which arranges the Sabbath Afternoon Meetings for the street children. There are twenty of these meetings conducted by teachers and girls, where 400 women and children hear the gospel message. How happy they all were to get Christmas cards which the girls had renewed by pasting a Bible verse over the old address. Four carriages and a car carry the workers to the distant places and the others walk.

In November Miss Ruth Work conducted our termly communicants' class which attracted about 40 girls. Deep interest was aroused and 15 of them publicly professed their faith and united with the Church on Dec. 19th. Four had taken the same step in April.

In our front garden there are thirty-five tall palm trees, their branches wave gently in the breeze. Each year they bear immmense clusters of golden-yellow dates which the gardener cuts off and carries away for use. (He cuts off too the lower circle of branches, but a new one appears above and the tree prepares a new harvest of fruit.) They were planted perhaps a hundred years ago. These trees are like the school. For nearly 80 years it has been sending out groups of happy girls to enrich the life of this land. Pruning has been done but it has only beautified and strengthened the life of the school. Its good work will continue to go on, as long as its roots feed on the living water and absorb nourishment and strength from God's abundant supply.

Anna B. Criswell

P. M. I.

This school year is much like any other year and yet so very much different. This year we can't help feeling that the war will surely be over. Therefore we are much more hopeful in our outlook. Our spirits seem to be reflected in our pupils. We are forward looking; the pupils are forward looking and so we are getting much better work done. I have just completed the reviewing of the grades for mid-year and they are very encouraging.

But after all we are not here merely to educate girls but to build Christian character. What measuring stick can we use to show our progress there? There is none: but various incidents cheer our hearts along the way. For example:—An older girl came to the office the other day to ask how she could overcome her quick temper. Two other girls had just been in to ask that we start again the little prayer meetings we had last year where we discussed such problems and prayed about them so I asked her to come to those meetings. A real spiritual growth is showing in the lives of many.

The Junior Red Cross is getting well under way, more than 50 girls are knitting. The knitting needles which cost 22½ cents a pair are being paid for by the sale of old paper which sells at 14 cents per lb. You can imagine what unused paper costs! Children pay 25 cents for a school notebook that ordinarily would cost 5 cents.

There are so many activities we would like to carry on if only we had American teachers. Here is where our hopes come in. We feel that surely we will be having some to help us next year, as travel will be possible by then. We want energetic, active Christians who can put new vision of service before the girls. We are run down and ready for long overdue furloughs but new teachers fresh from America who know how to lead others to Christ and have a vision of the possibilities of a Kingdom of God active, here and now, could do wonders in this school where the ground is fallow. Pray that the Lord will send new workers to work in His vineyard here.

Edna Sherriff

THE JOY OF TEACHING LITTLE CHILDREN

It is difficult to pick out of a year's work the details which make it different from preceding ones, and yet the difference is always very definite. Perhaps it is because in school work the children are themselves growing so rapidly and changing so amazingly from year to year.

My Bible class this year is smaller in number than that of last year and so affords more chance for discussion and individual attention. The graduating class is a wide-awake group, and its members ask interesting questions. Two of them have joined our church this year. The class visited the hospital last week. There was general amazement in learning that there are lepers in their country. I think they had thought leprosy was only "something in the Bible." Now two of them are going to study the subject and lead a meeting in Christian Endeavor, using the book, "Who Walk Alone."

Our Sabbath School continues about the same. The White Gift amounted to about L.E. 21, which was more than last year. The senior class in the Sabbath School put on the White Gift program, which took the form of the Christmas story in reading, song and tableau.

It is always thrilling to me to see how these children respond to songs, and love to sing. We are ever on the lookout for new choruses that will put life and spirit into our chapel services. You should hear our 500 from the age of four and a half to eighteen singing our Hallelujah chorus. (Not the one from The Messiah!)

The kindergarten program given for the parents at the Christmas season was a happy time for all. It closed with the Christmas story acted and sung, with a little Madonna, shepherds, angels and Wise Men all complete. I don't know which of us is learning more these days, the kindergarten children or I. It certainly is most interesting to work with them. In these days of death and destruction one feels more than ever what a privilege it is to be permitted to do this kind of work that builds for the future.

Helen M. Walker

COMMUNICANT'S CLASS IN P. M. I.

I had the privilege of leading our communicants' class last term, as I have done in former years. Over forty girls came to the class, so I divided them into two groups, taking each group an hour a week for the seven weeks leading up to the December communion. We had real blessing. Fifteen of the girls joined the church the others, all Copts preferred to remain in their own church. They had wanted to come in the class for instruction. They are growing Christians.

Our new Governor has his two daughters in our school. They are charming young women, and their father shows keen interest and high appreciation. In fact he is much impressed by the culture and advancement of the women in this district and he gives full credit to the source. He himself was a Victoria college boy, which speaks volumes.

Ruth A. Work.

THE DR. CARRIE M. BUCHANAN GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

1943 has been for us, as for so many others, a very full year. Most of our concern was centered around the food problem, securing enough flour, rice, matches to supply the needs of the school. As you know, we have a good-sized vegetable garden. But the pump engine with which we irrigate the garden was broken and the vegetables dried up for lack of water. However another school came to the rescue and donated us an engine, which the local RAF kindly installed, although not before almost irreparable damage had been done. The high lights of the year consisted of our May Day, now a school tradition, but held in March, May weather in this climate not being conducive to sports. We had a "Good Manners Week," whose purpose was to improve the social tone of the school, the teachers and girls giving lectures on various phases of etiquette—*a la Luxor,* of course, not Emily Post! The school Thank Offering was the best ever, L.E. 13.860, and the pageant put on by Miss Aida was well received. The Presbyterial T.O. was held here and the pageant repeated. Both it and the papers were centered around the Growth of the Church. Dr. Skellie conducted the class for communicants, using the book he has put out in Arabic. Six girls united with the church in May. On May 21, we graduated a class of eight girls, one of the finest groups, we feel, that has gone out. Following a short music play, the class was formally presented. Dr. Neale McClanahan gave the address. Of this group, one is married and living in Sudan, one is engaged, one is living at home, one is teaching, and three are pursuing higher education at the P.M.I. During the summer months we had quite a number of girls conducting D.V.B. Schools near here.

The summer was a real benefit of rest and change at the seashore, with cool breezes, good fellowship, and lots of fun.

We hear so many complaints against the high cost of living. People here don't have enough money to buy food, let alone pay school fees and buy books and notebooks, whose cost has risen from 5 cents per notebook to 25. I paid this morning 75 cents for a sheet of cardboard, which in pre-war days was 5 cents. There are people keeping their girls at home, because they can't afford the expense. Another problem over which we are praying much is the demand of the Ministry of Education that all teachers in our schools have Government certification. The half of our teaching staff who are not so qualified are seeking it. Our senior class this year numbers 17, the largest in the history of the school.

The Branch School thrives. Miss Nazeema, who left us last spring to keep house for her brother, was replaced by Miss Zaizif, a graduate. The street Sabbath School class is not thriving, because we have no picture cards to hand out.

We have certainly given thanks for the manifest spirit of harmony and peace in the church here. Last spring, Rev. Samuel Wahby came as stated supply from the Sudan. He was born here, when his father was a teacher in the Boys' School. The congregation moderated a call in June, and he was installed in September. In November, three deacons, very fine young men, were elected and installed.

We have a few military contacts, as service personnel often ask to be shown over the school. We entertain the local RAF to badminton and tea on Saturdays. Every fortnight, Dr. Skellie holds an English service in our chapel for the men. In the Open House nights and occasional social evenings we contribute what little we can to the war effort.

Miss Whiteside is two years overdue for furlough and I am three. We pray constantly that the way may soon open for help from home. How often we have come up against some seemingly insurmountable problem, only to find the hand of our loving Heavenly Father has smoothed away the difficulty. How often have we, in weariness, yearned for respite, but God has granted us the necessary strength of body and spirit to go on. And we give Him the thanks, for our trust is in Him.

Martha Roy

This year Miss Roy is writing the story of our school year, and there is not much else to tell about myself. The first five months of 1943 went by quickly and in much the same way as usual. The weather was nice, teachers helpful and things went smoothly. We were able to go out to the villages as usual, and the people welcomed us.

I spent the vacation at the seashore. Miss McMillan, Miss Roy and I had an upper flat from which we had a view of all the surrounding homes and gardens and a glimpse of the sea. It was a quiet summer. Every one was glad to just be quiet and get caught up on left-over work and correspondence.

After coming back from summer vacation we planned to take up our village meetings as usual. We went the first two Sabbaths in October. The second time the battery of our car gave out while we were five miles from home, and we had a long wait for help. The car kept us home another week or two, then malaria hit us and we had no strength or time, or girls to do. The people in the villages to whom we go are sick now. I had planned to start the meetings but the illness in the villages will delay us again.

We are happy that Lois Kingan has arrived at last and we are praying that others may get passage soon. What a joy it will be when this war is ended!

Ida Whiteside

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ENCOURAGED

Encouraged! yes, and full of cheer,
For God is here, and everywhere,
And God is Father, Friend, and Guide
And all I need in life beside.
Encouraged! yes, and full of song,
Bright thoughts come trooping all day long.
Thoughts of His care who asks my love,
And brighter thoughts of life above.
Discouraged? no; how can it be?
My Father's love keeps watch o'er me;
My very weakness is my strength,
And He will bring me home at length.
Discouraged? Why, God's love ne'er dies;
Thy fervent cry will reach the skies;
He never can forget His own;
Fear not, thou canst not walk alone.

Missionary Tidings.

The Year in The Sudan

THE GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, KHARTOUM NORTH

THE CHURCH IN OUR MIDST

THE church in Khartoum North was organizd about seven years ago with two elders, both of whom had been faithful members in the unorganized congregation for years. One of the two, Musaad Effend Obeid, passed away of heart trouble on February 12. By example and precept he had taught the lessons of faithfulness to God's house, of fixing one's mind on things above, of tithing, of reaching out to other communities for service, of adhering to one's convictions even though it often meant unpopularity. One of his greatest desires was to see the congregation worshipping in a building of its own instead of in the chapel of our school—in a building erected as largely as possible through the efforts of the members. He did not live to see this wish fulfilled, but his ideas and ideals have so permeated the feelings of many of the members of the congregation that we believe that what he so longed for will be accomplished.

The second member of the session is very frail, suffering from high blood pressure, and is not therefore able to do all he wishes to in connection with the church work. It is difficult to fill the places of these two men.

The congregation hopes to remodel for a church a building formerly used as a boys' school provided the Foreign Board gives its permission. A great friend of the Evangelical church and the leading contractor in the Sudan, has given a reasonable estimate for the making of an attractive building and we are now awaiting the reply of the Foreign Board to begin. Little by little a fund for the building is being laid aside in the postal savings, the amount now saved being almost LE100.

Several months ago Synod decreed that there should be a 20% increase in pastors' salaries and also that each congregation should pay 5% of the pre-war salary each month to a pension fund. As treasurer of the church I doubted Khartoum North raising the extra amount, for while the members have paid all of the salary and the house rent for several years besides the LE15 or more a year for bread for those who attend the service for the poor, there has been no surplus. But I was reckoning without knowledge of two facts: first, that our new pastor believes in the tithe, and second, that he would teach tithing from the pulpit. To our joy we were able to meet the added expenses and close the year 1943 with a very small credit, and during the first three months of this new year our finances have been in the better shape than during any time in the history of the church.

The first member of the congregation to begin to pay her whole tithe into the church itself is the one Sudanese convert, a teacher in our school.

Another encouraging feature of the work is that two ladies of the church are supervising the high school girls' missionary society and the junior socity instead of a missionary doing it as formerly.

When Presbytery met in Khartoum North in December some of the delegates were entertained at dinner in our boarding department where we Americans eat with the girls every noon. One elder remarked that it was the first time in his life that he had eaten with girls.

Our congregation, like others in the Sudan, is still Egyptian, but there are a few indications that there is a little more interest in "lengthening the stakes and strengthening the cords" than there used to be. I am sure that much of the credit for this belongs to the Women's Presbyterial.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL

Enrollment. Three hundred forty girls and little boys were enrolled in 1943, the largest enrollment since the days when there were very few schools in the Sudan and when the G.B.S. received as many as 130 boarders. Fees have increased accordingly, also the need for more teachers. Our policy of requiring any parent who requests a reduction in fees to give his consent to his child helping the school in some way has done much to increase tuitions, for the majority still feel it a far greater disgrace to work than to ask for help.

In the boarding department 51 pupils have been accommodated a part or all the year, coming from sixteen different towns and from the length and breadth of the land. We have had to turn away some little ones, for our boarding department is a very busy place and the few older girls and the teachers have had more little ones than they could well care for. As long as we follow our present plan of running the boarding department as a home in which the members of that home do the work (and we feel that only by that plan can we accomplish what we desire) we cannot take a large number of boarders, because we get few older girls.

The Staff. The death of Musaad Effendi removed the one who has done the Arabic teaching in the high school since 1924, but fortunately we have girls tutored by him in more advanced Arabic than most of our girls can comprehend, to fill his place. It means that we Americans have to take on the English classes which these girls were teaching, however. Miss Mary Ewing has been helping us since February.

Marriage has taken Ellen Smith Theobald from the permanent staff but she is continuing to help us. She has carried much of the responsibility for schedules and for discipline in the high school for the past few years in addition to her teaching. While we heartily approve of the institution of marriage we wish there were always someone to step into the places of those who marry.

Another vacancy caused by marriage is that of sewing teacher. That position in our school carries with it the responsibility for seeing that there is a supply of uniforms for the whole school, the giving out and taking in of Sudanese work, the clothing of the orphans, the supervising of the vacation sewing class which makes most of the uniforms, etc., etc. Hours have to be spent by the missionary on this branch of the work at best, but when the one who has been teaching for seven years gets married even more time must go to this very necessary part of the school work. All that has been named is in addition to the regular teaching of sewing. Fortunately we have been able to get one of our graduates to take afternoon sewing classes.

We are desperately in need of more teachers for little ones. Right now there are over 50 in the kindergarten and over 70 in the first grade. We can depend on a few recruits from girls who will finish their high school course in April, but they will have to be trained. For a number of years we turned away kindergarten pupils after our number reached 26 with the result that they went to other schools and we lost them entirely, so we feel we must train more teachers, prepare more rooms, and take all comers.

Pressing Needs. We cry out for more workers. Our opportunities widen from year to year: there is more competition in our line of work than in former years; we feel that we have a distinctive work in preparing Christian leaders that no other institution can fill. We long for someone to take charge of the home economics of the school, for someone to train new teachers, for yet others to teach high school subjects so that we older missionaries can give more time to numerous tasks which have to be left undone and which could not be undertaken by new workers. We have faith in our ideals; we long for the opportunity to work them out—for time to prepare a hygiene course for the whole school, to put into more permanent form the outlines in child training, in history, in Bible and in English on which we have made a start; most of all we should like more time just to *live* with our girls.

Our Branch Schools. Our four-year-old in the north village has had a prosperous year in every way, the enrollment now being 60. The girls' school in Gereif has had 20 pupils one day, 10 another, and about 30 the days before the annual program. The Shendi school could be a large one did we feel that we should hire more than one teacher, but as it is, it is serving as a Christian center for a churchless community, and since only the Christian pupils receive Christian instruction we feel that we are not justified in expanding our school work there at present.

Marguerite McClellan

GIRLS' SCHOOL, NASIR

Our school building continues to bring forth our heartfelt thanks. Having a building that was built for the girls has given them a feeling of some importance. Having the buildings grouped in one place means so much less wasted strength and energy, as we teach and supervise all the work.

The year had many difficult problems, but it has been a very busy one and not without its happy side. We had a sore famine, but with the help of our very good Governor and other Officials, and with our school garden we were able to provide food for our pupils and help starving people.

Fifty-three pupils were enrolled in the school. Many were from a distance, for their families had come to our section of country looking for help from relatives, friends, and the Mission for their food problem.

All of our school activities have gone right along. My teachers have been faithful and they have been much interested in their work. Having so many new pupils in kindergarten and first year has been a real joy.

Girls' work is not without its trials and heart ache. Fathers and brothers will say, "Why should girls be taught, they cannot get jobs as clerks for the Government? They must be married and bring cattle so that brothers can marry and fathers marry more wives."

We covet your prayers for our Girls' School work. It is a hard, uphill road we have to travel, but we do believe and know that it is God's will for our people. No people can rise above what their women and girls are. They must take the lead in getting to a higher plane. As you pray for our girls in Nuerland, don't forget to thank God for His great mercy and blessing to us that we were born in a Christian land, and were taught of Him from babyhood.

C. Blanche Soule

THE WILLIAM LITTLE MEMORIAL—WAD MEDANI

THE WORK IN THE HOMES

Pupils enrolled	269
Lessons taught	710
Net roll	180

Teachers..............................5 for 3 months
..............................4 for 6 months

Subjects taught—Arabic Reading and Writing, Bible, Native embroidery, some knitting and crochet, some English lessons.

Classes for embroidery, etc., were held in the Mission compound each Monday afternoon with an attendance averaging about 15. Several other groups were taught in their own homes each week in the hand work, a fee being charged to cover expense of gas and the extra time of the teachers.

The Annual party for pupils was held on the Coptic Christmas, January 7, 1943. Nearly 90 attended. Games were enjoyed. The Life of Christ was given in radiopticon pictures. Prizes of lead pencils and pictures were distributed to encourage good work. A candy treat was given to all.

Daily work—A study and prayer hour with the teachers started each day. Several books were studied in this way. The problems of the work were discussed and prayed over and advice given as to how these problems could best be met. But usually the teacher must be prepared to meet the unexpected and many have had experiences of instant help in time of need.

Some pupils have made fine progress though there are the usual lot of slow ones but although they are not so satisfactory as the others, we are glad to give them an opportunity too.

The teachers. The Bible women have done excellent work during the year and have shown a fine cooperative spirit. There has been a minimum of sickness among them and few days were missed from their regular work. Four weeks in September were spent in the annual Bible Institute in Khartum North. Bible Study occupied most of the program.

Other activities. The Bible Women's Staff finds many places for service in the local church. They do more than their share in the Missionary Society, and in putting out the two copies of the Magazine for which they are responsible annually. A spiritual Life Conference was held for three days the last of February, followed by the annual Thank Offering Service. This Conference offers a fine opportunity of fellowship with Christians of the local Coptic Church. One meeting was held in that Church, to which the Priest gave us a hearty welcome.

We are grateful to God for his care and guidance through the past year and we commit the New Year to Him.

Aulora R. McIntyre

REPORT OF BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK

The year ending December, 1943, has been a year full of blessing. We thank God that all of our staff, both native and American, have been kept in good health.

The war has made no difference in our ability to carry on the work nor has it lessened our requests for lessons.

The government, up to date, has been generous in permitting battery and tires as they were needed as well as all the gasoline which was required in order to carry on our work.

We have at present here in Kharoum North, including one day in Khartoum 265 on our roll but there has been a total of 288 for a longer or shorter period. Sometimes the loss is caused by removal or serious illness and the students often return. We have a number of second generation pupils. Of the present enrollment 97 are reading in the Scriptures.

The work in Gereife has not been going quite so well as only about 70 are enrolled now. There are several reasons which may have caused this loss. One reason for the loss of pupils is due to the nature of the people. They are a simple farming class of people and want the kind of teaching which brings in money, such as sewing. Owing to the high prices of materials and threads they were not able to purchase the material necessary for sewing. There was a bit of opposition in a few cases but that did not affect the work generally. One important reason was the necessity for a change of teachers which was not according to our choice but circumstances made it necessary. The former teacher had endeared herself to the people and they did not like a change. Please pray for her that God will guide her to the place He wants her and that she may be willing to follow His guidance.

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK IN OMDURMAN

Since January last year we have enrolled 188 new pupils but meanwhile 116 have been dropped. Of those dropped only 19 were dropped because they did not want the Bible teaching. The commonest cause for stopping lessons was moving to other places. Of the 256 at present on the roll 62 are reading in the Bible.

One encouragement about our work this year is the meeting in the Deim. Last year the attendance fell off until closing the meeting was considered. But this year the attendance has increased to 35, of whom all but six are new pupils, the others receiving the message for the first time. The meeting in Wad Nabowi has decreased since another weekly meeting has been started by the pastor and session of the church here in Omdurman.

We have re-opened the work in Atbara which was closed for about three years. The teacher there reports 60 on her roll.

In Port Sudan the work steadily grows and the two teachers there have more than they can do and have requested an additional worker. One special point of interest in the work there has been the request for copies of Matthew and Mark for reading. In the earlier days it was not possible to get anyone to take a portion of the Bible to read—though we have done that here in this section for years.

Three received diplomas from the Training School at Ramadan and there are six at present in training. One of my reasons for deepest thanks is for the return to the work of one whom I had begun to train as my assistant. After she began her training she took T.B. but with two years of complete rest she is again well and is thoroughly enjoying her work. Perhaps God has had a purpose in keeping me on here an additional two years beyond my regular furlough. I am quite happy to be still in this land.

Our missionary societies have been carrying on their work as usual. In spite of the greatly increased prices of all commodities, the gifts of both Missionary Societies and the church congregation toward Christmas for the poor were greatly increased, in fact they were more than enough. Some even gave their two pound monthly ration of sugar for the poor.

We covet your continued prayer Bible Study and Conference here during Ramadan with all the Bible women.

Our hearts rejoice as we remember the opportunities which we have day by day for giving the Gospel of good news.

We cover your continued prayer that God may call out from among these who hear His word week by week some for Himself. We long for a deeper life in Christ both for ourselves and our workers.

Una Coie

The Year in Ethiopia

THE ADDIS ABABA SCHOOL

It has been thought best to carry on the school until the end of the government school year, which is about the middle of February. We shall have had ten and a half months of school by that time. Some sixty children have been enrolled, about two-thirds being girls. The girls have done wonderfully well with their hand work as well as the regular school work in spite of the difficulty in getting supplies. Materials are very expensive but some special money for the work has come in and we feel justified in buying an entire bolt of cloth as we want to prepare for public display on the last day of school some samples of the garments we have been making. Thread is sixty cents per spool and that has been one of our greatest expenses throughout the year. But every cent we have spent has been very worth while for the results show great improvement and real skill. The older girls have also been making baskets, which should bring a nice return and help in meeting tuitions, but at present there is little market for such things. The church folk in America would love to have some of their work and we hope this may be possible before long.

No word has come from Mrs. Pollock since her party arrived in the west on December 20, but I know they are proceeding with Mission business and that soon she will be at work some place nearby if not in this station. It is good news that Ruth Beatty and Isabel Blair are even now on their way back to their "first love" and I know the joy in the hearts of the people there as they welcome them. I thought I couldn't bear it when the week of Christmas I had word that all three of them, including Mr. Buchanan, had passed me by here, but when I considered the work I knew it was right that they go direct to their place.

It was such a surprise and joy, then, to have Domer Dougherty with me over Christmas. He waited three weeks trying to get transport to his home in the west, but finally had to set off alone on a motorcycle. It seemed he was certain to encounter many difficulties on such a trip but he thought he could manage as there seemed to be no other way for him to see his parents before returning to his unit.

Mr. Russell thought that by 1944 both Mrs. Pollock and I should go on furlough but it just does not seem right to leave here when there is no one else to carry forward the projects in which I am interested. In all this part of the city there is no school for girls and I wouldn't dare to close it just to go on furlough. A couple of months in the country south of us will do me a lot of good and I shall try to go there for February and March. After Easter we shall start school again if all goes as we now plan.

ENROUTE from ADDIS ABABA to WESTERN ETHIOPIA

Our party looked forward to work in Western Ethiopia with pleasure, having heard that the need was greater even than in Addis Ababa. At the same time we knew there were many difficulties to surmount. It is hard to get word concerning the state of the roads and our truck will probably be the first to go through to the West since the rains. Mr. Russell is expecting to have to do a little road making in order to proceed. We came to Gore via Gambeila because Mr. Russell had to get gasoline there. The road to Gambeila was very rough and we were thrown about quite a bit on the truck. It was tedious business getting over the Baro river on a narrow suspension bridge that was only wide enough for a small car. We had many medical supplies as well as our cooking utensils and camping equipment and all the stuff had to be unloaded and even the box taken off the truck. That was a long heavy job for Mr. Russell. The truck has dual tires behind and the bridge was too narrow to permit of their crossing also, so he had to take off the outer back tires and then drive slowly over the bridge, practically scraping both sides, and the bridge swinging of its steel cables. I was glad not to be driving over it. We had to spend the night and part of the next day at the river getting unloaded and loaded again. Dr. Dougherty is going back with Mr. Russell to Addis Ababa in order to explain certain things about the properties to the king and Mrs. Dougherty and the two girls have come on with us as far as Gore for a little vacation. They will return to Sayo by mule in due time. The Gore property has been turned over to us again. It has been used by the Ethiopians for the past two years or so and the houses are unspeakably dirty. The property needs considerable repair and little by little it will be put to rights.

The Council decided that I should go to Gore station and hold it until others arrive. I am hoping to open a clinic here when a place is prepared. I am sure the supplies requested can be used very nicely in the clinics since the opening of the hospital in Addis Ababa has been postponed. I should be most grateful if someone at home would donate a Baumanometer to me for clinic work and especially for maternity work. When one is able to take the blood pressure of an obstetric patient it is a great help in realizing if the patient is in good condition and by its use one can often spot trouble before the symptoms are too plain. We can also use the medical supplies in the clinics.

This great area opened to our Mission by the government is a great challenge and with our present limited force of workers we can say as of old, "There is yet much land to be possessed." What an inspiration it was to visit some of the churches in the Sayo region. I am sure Mr. Buchanan must have a feeling of great satisfaction in seeing the result of his and others' patient sowing of the seed. The indigenous churches are spaced rather far from each other and it was interesting to see them carry through their services in such a spirit of reverence. Surely the Spirit of God is working in Western Ethiopia. One longs for the same thing to happen here in Gore and in the new fields that are yet to be evangelized. One of the heartening things to me was that there were so many women in the churches and although unable to read they all joined in saying aloud whole chapters of Scripture. Likewise all joined in singing and knew the words of all the verses.

The church in Addis Ababa sent out one of its elders to carry its greetings to all the churches and this man Milkie has visited all of them. He will have many things to report to the churches in Addis Ababa when he returns. This man was brought up in our Mission, having been under Miss Beatty's instruction years ago. He is a good Christian man with a sweet, unruffled disposition. He had the joy of finding his sister in one of the Western villages. He had not seen her for over twenty years. He found her the day we were at church in Amphillo. He had sent word to the local governor telling of her and asking if he could be put in touch with her. She sobbed and cried when she met her brother in the church and he was very kind and tender with her. She has a husband and home in a village nearby. It was good that he found her after all these years of separation.

We really marvel at the good recovery Dr. Dougherty has made. He was stabbed in many places. The assailant is the son of good parents who are members of the Swedish Church in Nakempti, but he was so carried away by drink and gambling that he was desperate for money. No doubt the tale of the buried treasure found on the Mission grounds reached him and he thought Dr. Dougherty was hoarding some of the money in his house. It must have been a disappointment to him when he realized he was mistaken.

We are still hoping that the Board will regard favorably our request to help support the work in the new stations that will be opened and also provide housing for the women missionaries.

THE UNNAMED WOMAN

(*See poem on second page of this Magazine*)

The simple gospel story of a woman without a name has come down through the ages. She is the symbol of love, devotion and consecration to her Master. When men criticised Jesus said, "She hath done a beautiful thing to me." "This that she has done shall be spoken of for a memorial."

This woman wanted no notoriety: she wanted to manifest her love for the Lord Jesus Christ.

There are many names in this annual report — the Officers of the Women's General Misssionary Society, the members of the Board of Directors, the names of missionaries, (which appear in every issue), the women on the program, the delegates, the Life Members and Life Directors, the Local Committee and others. Within a few years the most of these names will be largely forgotten. But who, that is a true successor to the unnamed woman, cares? All she desires is to be remembered by what she has done.

In the kind of work we are doing there are multitudes of women whose names we shall never know who are giving their best for the cause of spreading the knowledge of Christ throughout the world. Back of those whose names appear are the "Unnamed". Try, if you will, to estimate the number. Take the Statistical Report and count the names of presidents of societies—but where are the treasurers and the various secretaries? Count the names of Presbyterial officers. But where are the committees and the Junior Assistants? Where are the chairmen of Program Committees? Where are the humble, quiet women, who attend meetings rain or shine, who place their envelopes, with ofttimes sacrificial gifts, in the treasury? Where are the women who are "helpers together by prayer" keeping the Prayer Cycle before them day by day holding up before the Throne the names that appear therein?

Let us read with glowing hearts, this annual report which records *what we have done.*

There must echo in the heart of each one whose name appears in this Magazine the words put into the mouth of the "Unnamed Woman":

"I need not be missed if another succeed me,
  To reap down these fields that in spring I have sown;
He who ploughed and who sowed is not missed by the reaper;
  He is only remembered by what he has done.

"Not myself but the truth in life I have spoken,
  Not myself but the seed in life I have sown,
Shall pass on to ages—all about *me* forgotten,
  Save the truth I have spoken, the things I have done."

Editor

REPORT OF

United Presbyterian Women's Association, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

THE Women's Association of the United Presbyterian Church sends greetings to the Women's General Missionary Society as we bring in our accounts for the current church year. The Women's Association has three fields of work; Columbia Hospital, the Home for Aged People and the Orphan's Home.

Were you to walk into Columbia Hospital you would see on the one side of the memorial window these words "A woman that fears the Lord, she shall be praised;" and on the other side "I was sick and ye visited me."

Columbia Hospital has had an exceedingly busy year. All previous records for admissions, births and improvements were broken. This year was also the most costly in the thiry-eight years of the hospital's existence. There were 6320 admissions, 1233 births, and the total operating cost for the year was $372,395.14. The cost of operating the hospital at present is in excess of $1,000.00 per day, 50% of this amount being allocated to payroll expense.

This year has been notable for the many improvements effected throughout the building. These include the installation of a freight elevator, the refurnishing, painting and reflooring of the four adult wards and the redecorating of private rooms. Medical and surgical equipment for use in the various departments of the hospital has been purchased.

The large increase in daily admissions taxed the capacity of all service units, particularly the dietary department and the laundry. The Board authorized the building of an addition to the diet kitchen and a bakery off the main kitchen. The dishwashing room was remodeled and a new tile floor was laid there and in the refrigerator room.

Many replacements are needed in the dietary department and will entail a minimum outlay of $5,000.00. The laundry needs a new mangle. This new equipment plus the remodeling for its installation will cost approximately $10,000.00.

The School of Nursing is participating in the Cadet Nurse program and to date we have 62 students enrolled. The school program has been expanded by two affiliations with the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. This gives the student three months practice and instruction in Pediatric and three months in Psychiatric nursing.

The porch off of the Assembly room of the Nurses' Home was converted into a library for the student nurses; the funds provided by the Young Women's Auxiliary. The Nurses' Home has been painted throughout and new bedroom furniture should arrive before the September class is admitted.

The acute shortage of nurse and service personnel has caused hardships, but with the help of the various groups of volunteer workers we hope to continue in full scale operation.

The Home for Aged People is located next door to Columbia Hospital. It also serves our Master in the same loving deeds one finds in a true Christian home. The health of the family has been unusually good this year and there have been very few deaths.

The women of the Home are interested in knitting for the Red Cross and have given generously to that organization. The Auxiliary Board of the Home has provided up-to-date books for the library. One member of the family who was a librarian, has charge of these books. Some of the Missionary Societies in the Pittsburgh district hold occasional meetings in the home.

A worship service is held in the drawing room every Sabbath afternoon at three o'clock and is conducted by local ministers. A Bible class is conducted every Monday evening by a seminary student. A Thank Offering service is held in the fall, communion is observed on Easter and the women participate in the World Day of Prayer.

There are seven practical nurses and one relief nurse who care for those confined to their rooms. The family mourns the death of their physician, Dr. J. V. Leech, who served the Home for many years.

Miss Rosa McCullough who is 94 years old, and who labored in our mission field in India for 55 years, is the latest member to be received into our family. There are eight people who are 90 years or older and there is a very long waiting list. The sudden death of Miss Lois Buchanan has brought to mind the following excerpt from a pamphlet written by her family. "During this same year, Miss Buchanan carried on an extensive correspondence and saw one of her wishes and efforts brought to fruition when on the 94th birthday of her co-laborer and dear friend, Miss Rosa McCullough of India, she visited with her in Kansas City and saw her on to the train under the care of other friends enroute to the comfort and security of the Wilkinsburg Home for Aged."

In a very comfortable and pleasant looking setting, about thirty miles northeast of Pittsbugh, we find our Orphans' Home, with a capacity for 65 children. At present there are 50 children there and two more will be added to this number as soon as school is out. The children have been quite well, although there were measles, pink eye and flu to cope with.

The Infirmary has undergone much needed repairs and the roof insulated. With these improvements the sick children should be much more comfortable. The big playroom has been painted and the nursery put in good condition. The farm buildings will be painted as soon as the weather permits.

The Auxiliary Board has sent all kinds of flower seeds to the children to plant in their garden. The pet dog which died has been replaced by a new puppy who seems to like its many masters. Movies are sent to the home once a month. A picnic was held on the grounds in May. In the summer the swimming pool is very popular. Special days are observed and appropriate favors are sent to the children. Each Auxiliary member has a little sister or brother to whom she sends cards and favors. Several churches remember the Home with gifts of various kinds; one church sewing dresses for the two and three year old, little ladies.

A bus which is used exclusively for the Home children takes them to grammar school and high school at Mars, Pa.

The children are well instructed in the Word of God. The pastor and members of the Valencia church do much for their spiritual training. Morning and evening worship is observed, grace is asked before and after meals. They are not only learning of missions through the Junior Missionary Society which meets every Sabbath afternoon, but are also being trained in leadership. An annual Thank Offering Pageant is prepared and given in the Home and neighboring churches.

Thirty of the former boys are now in the armed services and several have visited the Home, when on furlough. Two are reported missing in action. War has curtailed many things, but much effort and labor are readjusting life in the Orphan's Home.

While these institutions are located in the Pittsburgh area and are therefore primarily local obligations, we crave the prayers and cooperation of the whole denomination. In these fields of service, we are as a church trying to minister in Christ's name to the sick, the aged and the orphans, for whom Christ himself did so much while he was here in the flesh.

I am indebted to Miss Martha Speer, Superintendent of Columbia Hospital, to Miss Elizabeth Gilmore of the Board of Managers of the Home for Aged People and to Miss Mary White of the Board of Managers of the Orphan's Home for information in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. James L. Kelso.

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THE SOURCE OF STRENGTH

There is a Source of strength and pow'r,
A Wellspring which is never dry,
Whence I may draw each day and hour
A free and ever full supply.
In self I find no strength at all,
Nor would I seek it from without;
But in mine ear a gracious call
Doth banish every fear and doubt.
"Abide in me, and I in you."
By faith the living Lord within
Is Source of power ever new,
Through whom to more than conquer sin.
No longer I, but in me, Christ!
The words are meant for you and me;
His grace and strength have e'er sufficed,
And will—until His face we see.

A. W. H. in The Missionary Tidings

REPORT OF

Women's Association of the West
Los Angeles, California

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1944

WE, the United Presbyterian Association of the West wish to extend greetings to the Women's General Missionary Society, and to express our appreciation for the privilege of presenting this, our annual report. We congratulate you on a year of achievement, and for your wise leadership of the women of our church. Being so far from the center of our church organizations, we miss the fellowship of our co-laborers in Christ's Kingdom work.

We have enjoyed a good year and are much encouraged by the enlarged interest in our project manifested by gifts from distant churches. We have disposed of some of our property, old buildings which were deteriorating in value, and which we were advised to sell at this time on account of the ever increasing cost of maintenance.

Miss Mary King, a valued member of the Board of Directors for many years, was called to the Heavenly home this year. She was a faithful worker and we miss her wise counsel and help.

The members of the Board of Directors have been faithful in their attendance at the twelve Board meetings, all of which were held in the Bible Institute Building in Los Angeles.

Our usual annual Ingathering was held in the Home in Glendale 1230 E. Windsor Road, on September 25, 1943. This was well attended considering the gasoline rationing, and, under the able management of the Board of Directors was a real success. The guests in the Home welcomed us and gave one of their delightful song services. The rooms are all filled with grateful and cooperative Christian women. Rev G. G. Wilson is still with us, and adds much to the Christian atmosphere of the Home. He is also a great help in caring for the garden and the grounds.

Our Home is still serving in the capacity of a boarding-house, since our endowment fund is not yet sufficient to permit us to operate otherwise under the California laws. However, this fund is growing, and we are carrying on, trusting our Heavenly Father to lead and direct us day by day.

We look forward to the time when as a fully established and enlarged Home we shall be able to accomplish much more for our Master, if that is His will for us.

We ask that you will remember us and our needs in your prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. M. E. Brown,

Corresponding Secretary.

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1941-1942 Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer, Monongahela
1942- Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Allegheny

MEMBERS OF BOARD SINCE ORGANIZATION

*1886-1897	Mrs. E. J. McPherson
*1886-1893	Miss M. M. Shaw (Mrs. J. C. Doty)
*1886-1901	Dr. C. Jane Vincent
*1886-1904	Mrs. W. J. Reid
*1886-1905	Miss E. J. Sloan
*1886-1932	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
*1886-1887	Mrs. Wm. Edie
*1886-1909	Mrs. J. B. Herron
*1886-1887	Mrs. E. W. Hill
*1886-1889	Mrs. Joseph McCartney
*1886-1887	Mrs. J. D. Irons
*1886-1913	Miss E. D. Brown
*1886-1892	Mrs. Mary Samson
*1886-1908	Mrs. Mary W. Porter
*1886-1892	Mrs. Agnes K. Duff
*1888-1891	Mrs. J. R. Johnston
*1887-1890	Mrs. A. P. Burchfield
*1888-1890	Mrs. Thomas Stewart
*1888-1892	Mrs. J. M. Wallace
*1891-1897	Mrs. W. H. McMillan
*1891-1894	Mrs. Thomas J. Gillespie
*1891-1920	Mrs. Mary C. Porter
*1892-1893	Mrs. John S. Hastings
*1892-1900	Mrs. J. A. Grier
*1893-1912	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
*1893-1898	Mrs. M. M. Patterson
*1894-1895	Mrs. J. M. Stewart
*1893-1895	Mrs. N. H. I. Stewart
*1894-1900	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson
*1895-1911	Mrs. G. W. MacDonald
*1898-1898	Miss Bessie Lambie
*1897-1897	Mrs. Joseph Kyle
*1897-1900	Miss Emma Mabon
*1898-1908	Mrs. E. M. Hill
*1899-1901	Mrs. Jean Sands
*1900-1904	Mrs. R. S. Smith
*1900-1906	Miss Elizabeth Caughey
*1900-1917	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
*1900-1900	Mrs. Mary Lowry Morton
1901-1902	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
*1901-1941	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1902-1903	Mrs. T. D. Mellon
*1904-1907	Mrs. N. L. Wallace
*1905-1907	Mrs. R. A. Elliott
*1905-1906	Mrs. Wm. Nease
1908-1909	Mrs. J. S. Hill
*1907-1911	Mrs. Jas. A. Alexander
1907-	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1906-1911	Mrs. John A. Crawford
*1906-1912	Mrs. John A. Wilson
1909-1912	Miss Susan McNall
1908-1918	Mrs. R. C. Morton
1909-	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
*1910-1941	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
*1911-1915	Miss Jennie Clark
*1912-1926	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1912-	Miss Ida B. Little
1912-1928	Mrs. I. H. Milliken
*1912-1913	Mrs. J. W. Harsha
*1913-1928	Miss Carrie M. Reed
*1914-1933	Miss Elizabeth Milligan
1914-1917	Mrs. Maurice Trimble
*1916-1926	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
*1917-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1918-1919	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
1919-	Mrs. O. H. Milligan
*1920-1939	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1920-1939	Miss Jennie B. Wallace
1923-	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
*1924-1943	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1926-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1926-1931	Mrs. R. E. English
1927-1931	Mrs. J. French Kerr
1930-	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
1932-	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1932-	Mrs. E. B. Murdoch
1933-	Mrs. Chas. W. Fulton
1938-1941	Mrs. Joseph S. Mason
1939-1943	Mrs. R. M. Karr
1941-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird
1941-	Mrs. H. Ray Shear
1941-	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison
1942-	Miss Edith L. McBane
1943-	Mrs. Paul M. Haas
1943-	Mrs. Charles B. Warren

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1891-1909	Mrs. J. B. Herron
1909-1913	Miss E. D. Brown
1913-1915	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1915-1915	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1915-1917	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1917-	Mrs. J. D. Sands

VICE PRESIDENTS

	First	Second
1886-1888	Mrs. J. B. Herron	Mrs. J. D. Irons
1888-1890	Mrs. J. B. Herron	Miss E. D. Brown
1890-1891	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. J. B. Herron
1891-1893	Mrs. Eliza J. McPherson	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1893-1894	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter	Mrs. W. H. McMillan
1894-1895	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1895-1896	Mrs. W. H. McMillan	Miss E. D. Brown
1896-1897	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson	Mrs. G. W. McDonald
1897-1898	Mrs. G. W. McDonald	Mrs. J. A. Grier
1898-1899	Mrs. G. W. McDonald	Mrs. M. M. Patterson
1899-1901	Mrs. E. M. Hill	Mrs. J. A. Grier
1901-1902	Mrs. E. M. Hill	Miss E. D. Brown
1902-1903	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1903-1904	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. T. D. Mellon
1904-1906	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1906-1909	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. John A. Wilson
1909-1910	Mrs. N. W. Stevenson	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1910-1912	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1912-1913	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1913-1915	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Miss Jennie H. Clark
1916-1916	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1916-1917	Mrs. J. D. Sands	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1917-1919	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook	Miss Carrie M. Reed
1919-1920	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Miss Carrie M. Reed
1920-1923	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1923-1924	Mrs. D. J. Brown	Miss Elizabeth Milligan
1924-1925	Miss Ida B. Little	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1925-1925	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1926-1927	Mrs. W. R. McMunn	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
1927-1928	Miss Elizabeth Milligan	Mrs. J. French Kerr
1928-1929	Mrs. R. E. English	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1929-1930	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1930-1931	Miss Ida B. Little	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1931-1932	Miss Harriet S. Boobyer	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1932-1933	Mrs. W. R. McMunn	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1933-1934	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1934-1935	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton	Mrs. Edgar M. Murdoch
1935-1936	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1936-1937	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1937-1938	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton
1938-1939	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1939-1940	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1940-1941	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Robert M. Karr
1941-1942	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1942-1943	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Miss Ida B. Little
1943-1944	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
1944-	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. A. B. McBride

RECORDING SECRETARIES

1886-1891	Miss M. M. Shaw (Mrs. J. C. Doty)
1891-1899	Mrs. Mary W. Porter
1899-1900	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson
1900-1902	Mrs. R. S. Smith
1902-1902	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1902-1907	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1907-1910	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1910-1912	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1912-1916	Mrs. J. S. Crawford
1916-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1919-1919	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
1920-1939	Miss Jennie B. Wallace
1939-1941	Mrs. Joseph S. Mason
1941-1942	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird
1942-	Miss Edith L. McBane

TREASURERS

1886-1904	Miss E. J. Sloan
1904-1941	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1941-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

Foreign

1886-1904	Mrs. W. J. Reid
1904-1908	Mrs. E. M. Hill
1908-1909	Mrs. J. A. Wilson
1909-1932	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1932-	Mrs. J. D. Sands

Home

1886-1909	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1909-1909	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1909-1910	Mrs. R. C. Morton
1910-	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook

Negro

1886-1901	Dr. C. Jane Vincent
1901-1902	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
1902-1904	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1904-1907	Mrs. R. A. Elliott
1907-1917	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1917-1941	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1941-	Mrs. H. Ray Shear

Parsonage

1892-1893	Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie
1893-1894	Mrs. Thos. Stewart
1894-1898	Mrs. M. M. Patterson
1898-1912	Mrs. George W. McDonald
1912-1920	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1920-1926	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1926-1939	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1939-	Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch

Thank Offering

1893-1920	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1920-	Mrs. O. H. Milligan

Junior

1893-1894	Mrs. T. J. Gillespie
1894-1912	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1912-1923	Mrs. L. H. Milliken
1924-1943	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1943-	Mrs. Paul M. Haas

Literature

1894-1894	Mrs. Annie R. Herron
1894-1897	Mrs. E. J. McPherson
1897-1899	Mrs. Jas. A. Grier
1899-1901	Miss Emma Mabon
1901-1906	Miss Elizabeth Caughey
1906-1910	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1910-1912	Miss Susan E. McNall
1912-1913	Mrs. J. W. Harsha
1913-1914	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1914-1932	Miss Elizabeth Milligan
1933-	Mrs. A. J. Randles

Railroad

1896-1907	Miss E. D. Brown
1907-1908	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1908-1909	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1909-1910	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1910-1912	Miss Susan McNall
1912-1914	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1914-1915	Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble
1915-1918	Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell
1918-1919	Mrs. M. R. Wilson
1919-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1920-1939	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1939-	Miss Ida B. Little

Women (including Statistical and Efficiency

1897-1898	Mrs. M. J. Stewart
1898-1899	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson
1899-1908	Mrs. M. W. Porter
1908-1910	Mrs. Caroline Porter Hill
1910-1911	Mrs. J. A. Alexander
1911-1915	Miss Jennie H. Clark
1915-1916	Mrs. Maurice Trimble
1917-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1931	Mrs. R. E. English
1931-1932	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
1932-1933	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1933-1939	Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch
1939-1943	Mrs. Robert M. Karr
1943-	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison

Young Women

1903-1904	Mrs. T. D. Mellon
1904-1908	Mrs. Nancy L. Wallace
1908-1911	Mrs. J. A. Alexander
1912-	Miss Ida B. Little

Temperance

1909-1918	Mrs. R. C. Morton
1918-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1920-1926	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1926-1941	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1941-1943	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison
1943-	Mrs. Charles B. Warren

Indian

1912-1916	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1916-1926	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1926-1936	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1926	Miss Jennie B. Wallace
1926-1931	Mrs. J. French Kerr
1931-	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride

Benevolence

1913-1941	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1941-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

Financial

1914-1917	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1917-1919	Miss Ida B. Little
1919-1920	Mrs. O. H. Milligan
1920-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1926	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1926-1932	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1932-	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride

Testamentary and Annuity

1908-1932	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1932-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

Prayer Group

1920-1926	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1926-1934	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1934-	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton

PRESENT ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT

(c-o American Mission should be added to each foreign address)

INDIA

Miss Ruth I. Ardrey, 1921 .... Sialkot City
Miss Margaret Ballantyne, 1941 .... Sheikhupura
Miss Minnie E. Beatty, 1912 .... Abbottabad
Miss Lois Boyd, 1918 .... Sangla Hill
Miss N. Addaline Brandon, 1931 .... Sargodha
Miss Theresa I. Brownlee, 1922 .... Sialkot City
Miss Evelyn Cathcart, 1925 .... i .... Rawalpind
Miss Marjorie Faught, R.N., 1933 .... Taxila
Miss Betsy Fleming, 1913 .... Sargodha
Miss Vida J. Graham, 1922 .... Pathankot
Miss Eva M. Hewitt, 1930* .... Campbellpur
Miss Alice G. Hill, 1938 .... Sheikhupura
Miss Janette Howland, 1921 .... Campbellpur
Miss Mary Kyle, 1904 .... Pasrur
Miss Glendine Lundquist, R.N., 1932 .... Sialkot
Miss Elizabeth F. McConnell, R.N., 1931 .... Jhelum
Miss Evelyn M. McKelvey, R.N., 1938 .... Sialkot City
Miss Margaret Murdoch, 1924 .... Sargodha
Miss Ruth M. Nichol, 1933 .... Pasrur
Miss Marian T. Peterson, 1930 .... Rawalpindi
Miss Willa M. Ramsey, 1921 .... Pathankot
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924 .... Sangla Hill
Miss Helen V. Weeds, 1928 .... Zafarwal
Miss Evva P. Hartig, R.N., 1924 .... Jhelum

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY (from INDIA)

Miss Helen Artman, 1920 .... R. D. 2, Pulaski, Pa.
Miss Hazel Bennett, 1908 ....
.... 6 .... 263 Park St., Socorro, New Mexico
Miss R. Jean Black, 1921 .... Petrolia, Pa.
Miss Frances E. Brown, 1927, 1937
810 Glenview St., Philadelphia 11, Pa.
Miss Margaret J. Fehlman, 1913, ...
.... 616 Arlington Place, Chicago, Ill.
Miss Reba C. Hunsberger, M.D.
5914 N. Pulaski, Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Olive R. Laing ....
.... 46 N. Duane Ave., Pittsburgh 5, Pa.
Miss Sarah Jane Lamont, 1928 ....
440 W. Cayuga St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Mary Frances Lincoln, R.N., 1920 ....
.... 1502 Penna. Ave, Wichita, Kans.
Miss Laura R. MacLachlan, 1938
.... R. R. 1, Atkinson, Nebraska
Miss Louise Scott, 1916 ....
.... 102 New Castle St., New Wilmington, Pa.
Miss E. Marjorie McCrory, 1936
McCrory Farms, R. D. 1, Homer City, Pa.
Miss Vivian Trimble, 1921 .... Blanchard, Iowa
Miss Ruth A. Warnock, 1913, 1936 ....
.... 915 East 8th St., Wellington, Kans.
Miss Georga Wengert, 1920 .... Lebo, Kansas
Miss Helen C. Sharp, M.D., 1944 ....
.... 411 N. Yale, Villa Park, Ill.

RETIRED (from INDIA)

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, 1881 ....
.... 231 Franklin St., Slippery Rock, Pa.
Miss Laurella G. Dickson, 1897 .... Tarkio, Mo.
Miss Ella M. Gordon, 1893 .... Pattersonville, N. Y.
Miss Kate A. Hill, 1896 .... Eldora, Iowa
Miss Flora Jameson, 1903 ....
.... 32 Bonvue St., Pittsburgh 14, Pa.
Miss Mary E. Logan, 1891
.... 325 W. 7th St., Rushville, Ind.
Miss Lillian A. McConnell, 1902
.... 205 E. Broadway, Girard, Ohio
Miss Rose McCullough, 1879
.... Penn & Trenton Aves., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.

HONORABLY RETIRED MISSIONARY

Miss Mary J. Campbell, 1884 ....
.... 612 Bruce St., Los Angeles, Calif.

RETIRED (from EGYPT)

Miss Rena L. Hogg, 1899 ....
.... c/o American Mission, Assiut, Egypt
Miss Ella M. Barnes, 1911 ....
926 East 1st St., Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Minnehaha Finney, 1894
.... 121 North 7th St., Sterling, Kans.
Miss E. Roxy Martin, 1901 ....
Fair Meadows, Limekiln Park, R.D., Chalfont, Pa.
Miss Laura B. Walker, 1904 ....
.... 1109 McClure Ave., Munhall, Pa.

EGYPT—c/o American Mission

Miss Margaret A. Bell, 1901 .... Fayoum
Miss Helen R. Brownlee, R.N., 1934 .... Assiut
Miss Leota Cabeen, 1909 .... Alexandria
Mrs. Mary K. Coventry .... Benha
Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap, 1926 .... Fayoum
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905 .... Assiut
Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919 .... Beni Suef
Mrs. William Fennell, 1937 .... Cairo
Miss Davida Finney, Litt.D., 1915 .... Cairo
Miss Elsie M. French, 1909 .... Cairo
Miss Eulalia D. Grether, 1929 .... Tanta
Miss Alice Grimes, 1924 .... Cairo
Mrs. G. G. Gutteridge, 1939 .... Cairo
Mrs. A. F. Huish, 1939 .... Cairo
Miss Lois D. Kingan, 1926 .... Cairo
Miss Lucy Lightowler, 1921 .... Cairo
Miss Dora B. Mason, 1918 .... Assiut
Miss Jeannette McCrory, 1916 .... Beni Suef
Miss Carol E. McMillan .... Beni Suef
Mrs. John McMillan, 1937 .... Benha
Miss Elizabeth McKibben, R.N., 1924 .... Tanta
Miss Sarah B. Meloy, 1923 .... Cairo
Miss Helen J. Noordewier, 1921 .... Tanta
Miss Marion A. Paden, 1902 .... Tanta
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924 .... Cairo
Miss Frances Patton, 1922 .... Mansura
Miss Stella Robertson, 1922 .... Cairo
Miss Martha A. Roy, 1938 .... Luxor
Mrs. Rachel T. Seiver, 1925 .... Assiut
Miss Jane C. Smith, R.N., 1922 .... Cairo
Miss Mary C. Thompson, 1939 .... Tanta
Miss Mary L. Thompson, LL.D., 1917 .... Assiut
Miss Helen M. Walker, 1930 .... Assiut
Miss Ethel L. Weed, 1919 .... Alexandria
Miss Ida B. Whiteside, 1913 .... Luxor
Miss Ruth M. Williamson, 1924 .... Tanta
Miss Elizabeth M. Wilson, 1932 .... Fayoum
Miss Esther W. Wilson, 1919 .... Luxor
Miss Margaret A. Work, 1924 .... Cairo
Miss Ruth A. Work, 1904 .... Assiut
Miss Laura B.Wright, 1921 .... Tanta

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY (from EGYPT)

Miss Mary Frances Dawson, 1922 ....
.... 808 E. Third St., Ellensburg, Wash.
Miss Alta G. French, 1925 .... Goldfield, Iowa
Miss Martha C. Glass, 1921 ....
.... 800 E. Second Ave., Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Alfaretta M. Hammond, 1904
.... State Hospital, Warren, Pa.
Miss Helen J. Martin, Ped.D., 1915 ....
904 Publication Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.
Miss Evelyn McFarland, 1919
.... New Wilmington, Pa.
Miss Edna B. Sherriff, 1920 .... R. D., Norwalk, Iowa
Miss Nellie C. Smith, 1911
.... 116 Church St., Ramsey, N. J.
Miss Marie Tait, 1925 .... R. D. 5, Mercer, Pa.

THE SUDAN—c/o American Mission

Miss Mary E. Cole, 1919 .... Omdurman
Miss Una Cole, 1918 .... Khartum North
Miss Elsie E. Grove, 1912 .... Doleib Hill
Miss Ray Huffman, R.N., 1924 .... Nasir
Miss Marguerite McClellan, 1926 .... Khartoum North
Miss Mary Jane McKnight, 1922 .... Wad Medani
Miss Aulora . McIntyre, 1911 .... Wad Medani
Mrs. Alan Theobald, 1938 .... Khartoum North
Miss E. Verna Pillow, 1930 .... Khartoum North
Miss Mary K. Smith, M.D., 1944 .... Nasir
Miss C. Blanche Soule, R.N., 1921 .... Nasir
Miss Frances Turk, R.N., 1921 .... Khartoum North

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY (from THE SUDAN)

Miss Mary V. Ewing, R.N. ....
.... 904 Publication Bldg., Pittsburgh, 22, Pa.

ETHIOPIA—c/o Americnan Mission

Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R.N., 1921 .... Sayo
Misss Isabel Blair, 1922 .... Sayo
Mrs. A. W. Pollock, R.N., 1942 .... Gore
Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker, 1923 .... Addis Ababa

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Miss Ruth Flack	Frenchburg, Ky.
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Miss Margaret Graham	Frenchburg, Ky.
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Mrs. Ralph Ayers	Ezel, Ky.
Prof. and Mrs. William H. Heagen	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Sara Conrad	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Ruth Bemis	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Martha Adair	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Dorothy Dinsmore	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Mary Glenn	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Juanita McCullough	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Gladys Millen	Ezey, Ky.
Mr. Revis Carr	Ezel, Ky.
Miss J. Larue Millen	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Lillabel Towle	Ezel, Ky.
Miss Ruth Warnock	Ezel, Ky.

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Mrs. P. H. Parker	Camden, Ala.
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Miss K. H. Simons	Camden, Ala.
Miss L. B. Harris	Camden, Ala.
Mrs. R. S. Guyton	Camden, Ala.
Mrs. A. E. Freeman	Camden, Ala.
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*Miss Faustina E. Williams	Millers Ferry, Ala.
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**Mr. C. T. Patterson (vocational)	Millers Ferry, Ala.
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Missionary Bridges

A Bridge from Ideals to Actions

The Christian in Election Year

By E. MARCELLUS NESBITT, Minister, First U. P. Church, Beaver, Pa.

AN authority on Russia said recently that political democracy is still far from fulfillment in that war-scarred land. The Soviet state, so he implied, is a plain "dictator" system, not unlike the order in Italy before the war, or the regime in Germany today. No effort is made to conceal the facts which support this speaker's claim. There are a mere 4,000,000 members in the Communist party in Russia, who control the destiny of the country's 190,000,000 souls. Other millions, to be sure, are granted the privilege of voting, but they are supplied at election with only one name for each office to be filed, and have no actual *choice* in the selection of leaders. Five million people are in concentration camps under the Hammer and Sickle, and many are there, we may assume, because they were too outspoken against the Stalinist regime. The picture in Russia continues to be one of domination by the few.

This plight of the Soviet helps us to appreciate our own coming election, in which myriads of Americans will ballot for President, Congressmen and other officers of state. We must admit of course, that the American system does not allow complete political liberty. Guarantees of the Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding, there are millions of blacks and whites in the deep South, as well as American Indians in the Southwest, who are still denied the franchise. Fortunately these minority groups are not taking their handicap "lying down". They have involved our Republic in a sort of political revolution, by demanding that a vote be given to every mature citizen in the land. Luckily too, the Federal Government has not squelched this popular uprising. It has instead really encouraged public debate, which means that definite progress is being made. The franchise which will be permitted to many in November, will one day be enjoyed by all.

VOTING AN OBLIGATION

It goes without saying that every Christian who has opportunity, should vote in the fall election. You may be sure that the moral "dregs" of society will be present at the polls, aided and abetted by such political corruptionists as Hague and Kelly, and others of their kind. It is therefore urgent, in the interest of decency, that Christian men and women take advantage of the franchise, too. Yet thousands of otherwise good citizens will shun the duty of voting next November, if previous experience is an indication of what we may expect. Ordinarily less than half of the qualified voters put in their appearance at the polls. Unless this awful indifference to the franchise is eliminated, we will not only be governed unworthily, but may one day lose democracy altogether. If we do not cherish the privilege of popular government, some power-greedy

Hitler will come along and wrest the opportunity from our hands. The only assurance of democracy tomorrow is in casting the vote today.

VOTE FOR CHRISTIANS!

What candidates should we support in the November election? That question can be answered in general by saying that we ought, as far as possible, to back up the Christian nominees, irrespective of their party affiliation. It is regrettable that so few political leaders of late have been genuinely religious men. *The Christian Century* complains that most of the ranking statesmen in Washington at present, both Republican and Democratic, seldom enter a house of worship. They feel perfectly adequate in themselves for the problems of our crushing days. Whereas Lincoln, during the Rebellion, visited the sanctuary of God repeatedly, these leaders of a later time see no need of Deity at all. The Christian church will have to correct this situation with a decisive hand. Nothing but great religion in the officers of government can effect salvation for our democracy; and only as we choose national, state and local leaders who have experienced religion inwardly and who evidence it outwardly, will we see salvation drawing nigh. The day has come for laying aside party lines, and putting Christians at the controls in the Ship of State.

AN INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK

But there are two special qualities one would like to see in our successful candidates at election time. *One is a decidedly global or international point of view.* We have no right now to support men of either party who propose to build a fence around America and insulate us from the world. That isolation strategy, once so apparently defensible, will no longer stand the test. We are neighbors to all the rest of humanity, and modern science will not let us forget this verity. The radio brings other nations very close—you may sit in your living room and hear a man breathe in China. The aeroplane brings other continents to our door—the flying time from Europe to New York will be only eight or nine hours by and by. What a small, reticulated world we live in! Some one put it graphically when he said that we do not so much need a Declaration of Independence as a Declaration of *Inter*dependence. So! God pity our Republic if her leaders fail to preserve the earthwide point of view.

There will be a tendency for our people to turn "isolationist" after the current war, as we did following World War I. That is because we have been driven to economic self-sufficiency since Pearl Harbor. Commodities which, for the sake of international trade and friendship, were in peace time imported from overseas, are now produced in our own fields and factories. Java rubber is replaced by a synthetic product which is supposed to be leagues ahead in quality. South Pacific quinine has given way to an equivalent artificial drug. It is even claimed that the foreign material from which gas mantles were constructed is currently furnished by one of the states of our Southland. This all adds up to a condition of economic independence which will be difficult to abandon in the post-war years. Think of the courage we will need to destroy splendid factories in order to resume our trade with countries overseas! The spiritual problem may be so great that we will fail completely unless we have leaders who think, and make us think, in worldwide terms.

BELIEF IN SOCIAL JUSTICE

Another quality we should seek in candidates this year is belief in social justice here at home. He lives in a

Fool's Paradise who thinks that the high wages and fabulous profits prevalent today will continue on indefinitely. War has always eventually brought poverty to society, and it will do the same again. Dr. Ellwood of Duke University reminds us that we work for justice to the poor after every war, then cancel all the good we did by spawning other wars, whose taxes are laid upon the shoulders of those same poor. We saw poverty aplenty after World War I, and the situation is likely to be worse after World War II. In a similar era of economic injustice, the leaders of ancient Jewry had a solution of their own. Twice each century they observed a Year of Jubilee, when the wealth was redistributed among the economically dispossessed. That probably is not an answer to the inequities of the coming post-war time, but some answer will be needed. And it devolves on Christian citizens to choose leaders with mind to see and heart to feel what should be done.

CANDIDATES NEEDED

Where are we to find candidates who embody these ideals? Will there be a sufficiency of Christian nominees to fill all the vacant offices next November? If the prospects for this election are not altogether bright, they can be brightened in future years by persuading gifted Christian men to accept public office. You may be sure that it will not be easy to induce them to take this responsibility. Theirs is the old disease of "Spectatoritis", which is the desire to watch others in action rather than to participate themselves. They observe friends play athletic games while they sit in the stands, hear others sing as their lips stay mute, and scent the flowers a neighbor grows while they grow no lilies of their own. In government also they prefer to "let George do it", rather than to shoulder any responsibility themselves. We need more individuals to incarnate a modern version of Paul—"I am debtor . . . so as much as in me is, I will be a public servant to mankind".

This is the first time in eighty years that we will have chosen an American President during war. In point of influence it will probably be the most important free election in the history of the race. Meanwhile millions of men in uniform will be denied the franchise, while thousands of civilians who have recently moved to defense centers will lose their vote. Single ballots, therefore, never meant so much as they may mean this year. Accordingly, it is for every Christian citizen to exert himself this autumn to do his righteous and patriotic duty.

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A PATRIOTIC PRAYER

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America, America! God mend thine every flaw
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!
O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine!

Katherine Lee Bates

The Christian Citizen and Social Problems

By MRS. CHARLES BRADLEY WARREN, Pittsburgh, Pa., Secretary of Temperance Reform

"Lift up a standard for the people."
—Isaiah 62:10

PROBABLY most people have seen the advertisement which speaks of "Post-War Dreamitis", in this case a disease affecting people who dream of all the wonderful innovations that will appear in post-war housing. Many of us are afflicted with "Post-War Dreamitis" in a more serious form. We dream of, in fact we describe with great enthusiasm, the Utopian world which will somehow spring into existence with the defeat of Hitler and Hirohito. Political problems, racial problems, economic problems will somehow vanish, and a completely peaceful world will settle down with a contented sigh into the so-called "American Way of Life". It is a lovely dream, but it lulls the dreamers into a false security. How rude may be their awakening!

On the other hand are those who recognize the many complex problems of the modern world, who foresee the terrific difficulties of reconstruction, and are overwhelmed by the prospect. These despondently resign themselves to whatever may come.

In the middle trudge those with a vision of a better world and the will to work to make some little part of that vision become a reality. Christian citizens belong in the middle road. The Bible gives us the specifications for the righteous world. We are not overwhelmed by the immensity of the task for we believe "with God all things are possible". We work with confidence, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthenth me". We grow not weary, even though progress is slow, "for in due season, we shall reap, if we faint not".

The term *social problems* immediately brings to mind alcohol with its attendant evils of crime and immorality, gambling, poverty, disease, juvenile delinquency, broken homes, the physically or mentally handicapped, racial intolerance. Even Christians seem to prefer to think of these problems in their immensity, for then they become impersonal, too complex to demand any definite action from us as individuals.

We are appalled by the increase of drinking among young people. We urge legislation to protect our service men and women from the liquor trade. Well and good. But are we doing anything to protect young people from the saloons and beer gardens of our own city or town? Do we know whether our school code provides for scientific alcohol education and if so, is it being given effectively? Are the young people of our own homes and churches being taught by example as well as precept?

We condemn racial intolerance, but do we not have a "Jewish problem" or a "Negro problem" or a "foreign problem" in our community? Do we realize that only as we solve *our* problem, building a foundation of mutual respect and brotherly love within these smaller units, can we hope for a solution of racial problems on a national and international scale?

We deplore the increasing divorce rate, but do we support legislation to discourage hasty marriages or to prevent easy divorce?

We bemoan inefficiency and waste in state and federal government, but often tolerate it as a "necessary evil" in local and county government. It is within these local groups that we can really know candidates for office, that we can make our approval or disapproval felt.

The ballot is one of our most potent weapons. We know that you cannot legislate righteousness into men's lives, but that you can, by law, remove many temptations and make it easier to do the right and harder to do the wrong. The election of able, honest men and women both to make law and to enforce it is an essential step in solving many of our most pressing problems. In a recent county election to fill a number of important judicial positions only forty per cent of the registered voters cast their ballots. The "machine" had its votes out; many "good" citizens just didn't bother. They have only themselves to blame when county courts disregard the quota law in granting liquor licenses and seem to favor the saloon-keepers in many ways.

Adequate information and a plan for work are two more essentials. We must guard against "zeal of God, but not according to knowledge". We must analyze each problem as it affects our own group, as well as study its larger aspects. We will find that it is really a complex of interrelated problems. Take, for example, the increase of juvenile delinquency. As we study it, we find that some of the contributing factors are broken homes, over-crowded living conditions, working mothers, easy money, lack of moral training and discipline, illegal sale of alcoholic beverages to teen age youths, as well as the desire for excitement and the lack of adequate facilities for wholesome recreation. Obviously, opening a recreational center is not going to solve the whole delinquency problem! That may be urgently needed in a crowded war industry town, and be entirely unnecessary in a suburban community where the difficulty may be in interesting children in using the facilities already available. Are there organizations already working on some phases of the problem? Support them, don't duplicate activities. Are the laws protecting young people poorly enforced? Publicity will often force officials to act, if they are indifferent to requests and petitions.

Plan what you can do as an individual. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all men." One woman who believes that her first responsibility is to her teen age children takes under her supervision the children of several friends who through desire or necessity are away several days a week. A judge finds ways of impressing upon parents their responsibility for their children. A group supervises a playground, or assists in a vacation Bible school. A committee persuades officials to clean up undesirable "joints" near a high school. Little things? Yes, but better a little well done than ambitious plans not carried to completion.

When we deal with social problems we are working with people and their relation one to another. We need not only to be informed, to plan carefully, but also to work tactfully, remembering to "judge not", and seeking always to show Christian love. Only as we bring Christ into the hearts and lives of individuals can we hope for a permanent solution to our social problems.

An Aspect of Post-War Planning

By GEORGE D. MUNRO, Minister, First U. P. Church, Carnegie, Pa.

AS MUCH as I hate war, for all its havoc, grief and misery, I dread even more war's aftermath. A story is told of a man who fell out of an apple tree, and when a passer-by asked him if the fall hurt him, replied, "No, the fall was not so bad; it was the stopping that hurt." So with war's aftermath, when the pent-up emotion, burning revenge and hot hatred of oppressed minorities and suppressed peoples burst forth, it will be worse than the molten lava pouring down the slopes of Vesuvius!

We are concerned, however, with one aspect of this problem, one that will touch all our lives and hearts: the problem created "when Johnny comes marching home again." Vic- will rest upon his banner, but in many cases doubt and dismay and resentment may be gnawing at his heart. This is a sober responsibility confronting the Christian Church, and we must bestir ourselves now if we are going to be adequately prepared to handle it aright. For it is a problem which we must all face—just as we were all affected by conscription, so we are all facing this situation created by conscription's aftermath.

It is of prime importance that we try to understand Johnny — his mental make-up, his attitudes, his motives.

In the first place, it is almost sure that he will be disillusioned by the prospects of a bad peace. Every soldier goes off to battle fully confident that he is fighting for certain glorious principles — as in the last war, "to make the world safe for democracy." Even we church people felt something of this ardor! "We are standing on the threshold of a brave new world," we told ourselves, and so we hailed with unfeigned delight each utterance from our statesmen as "The Atlantic Charter," the several statements from Cairo, Teheran, etc. But as month followed month, a growing certainty gripped us, so that by now even the most optimistic fully realizes the feeble prospects of a peace treaty that will be enduring and abiding. A war and a treaty make a poor foundation for a lasting peace. Johnny, too, will realize that, and will be asking himself—softly at first and then with a clamor—"Was all that sacrifice in vain? Were all my comrades maimed and killed for nothing? I wonder!"

In the second place, I am almost sure that he will be disillusioned by the social crises following a war economy. Largest of all, of course, will be the threat of unemployment, with all its sorry children. We know how bitterly disillusioned men were after the last conflict, not only in this country but also over the seas, and while we supposedly are building our levees, we cannot close our eyes to this threat. But there are other cancerous sores in our social set-up, which the returning soldier is going to see with new perspective, seeing also the smug attitudes adopted by the church toward them, and he will be disillusioned.

In the third place, it is almost sure that he will be disillusionment personified. Going down into the depths of war's hell has been no child play for him, and few will be they who will not suffer from some kind of psychic trauma or mental shock. As a result they will do strange things, things that will hurt us and pain us—but we must realize that this is the personality seeking to reassert itself, readjust itself to a normal environment. That happened after the last war, and we have no knowledge that it will be otherwise with this one. This struggle of readjustment is well-nigh inevitable, and our fore-knowledge of it will enable us to better understand our Johnny.

Perhaps he had been a quiet boy; now he is talkative and garrulous. Perhaps he had been a cheery type of fellow; now he is reticent and shy. We may not fully comprehend. But at least we can respect, and by surrounding him with a panoply of strong friendships, help him to again find himself.

There is also the added danger that he will return feeling that the world owes him not merely a living but a luxurious one at that; not a mere job but a position. As the boys left we were oftimes extravagant in our promises as to what we would do for them on their return. A broken promise never paves the way to happiness.

Furthermore, Johnny will be at the mercy of pressure groups in halls or government, all seeking selfish ends by using his patriotism as a front and lever. He will be pulled this way and that, as each group bids in turn for his support and loyalty.

These, then, are some of the dangers confronting the post-war period for our boys. How shall the Christian Church face them? How shall we adapt ourselves to meet this need? What program can be mapped out so that each one of us, in large churches and in small, can do our part for these that we love? We can offer guiding principles for a general program, for what details might fit one situation might not fit elsewhere. And in any case a fluid program is best, one that can be adjusted to meet the various needs.

Any program that we adopt should not be sentimental but realistic. These loved ones left in many cases as boys; they are coming back as men, and they should be treated as such. Sentimentality, cheap and tawdry, has all too often kept men away from the churches, and any smacking of such toward these returning men will repel rather than attract. In this regard we must be cautious not to parade our virtues in an effort to win their renewed loyalty. That is, we must not boast of what we have done for them—our packages, letters, cards, etc.,—for in the final analysis, whatever we have done, is small indeed compared to their sacrifice.

Second, any program that we adopt should not be overly dogmatic but instead seek to challenge. There undoubtedly is a place for dogmatism in the church's role in life, but this is not the place. Our line must be, "Here is your place reserved for you. You know the terrors of war, better than we do—help us to build a better world after the pattern of Christ's heart." Let us try to integrate them into our church boards and sessions; place responsibility upon them. Make them feel that they *have* been missed, and that though we have managed all right up to now, we were waiting all the time for their return, that we were indeed holding the fort *for them*. A tremendous challenge, not only for the local congregation but for the entire church, lies lurking herein.

Third, any program that we adopt should not be church-centered but Christ-centered. The church is no paragon of virtue and righteousness, and though its sins of commission are fewer perhaps in this war than in the last, still we face those ugly sins of ommission, when we stood silently by and allowed evil to assert itself. But while the finger of scorn in some cases can be pointed to the church, our Lord remains unsullied, and He is the true foundation not only of the church but of the world.

Fourth, any program that we adopt should not be worldly flattery but Christian praise. Most hero parades are utterly pagan, and have been since the beginning of time. For example, instead of applauding a young man for killing forty Germans single-handed (as we have been doing in Pittsburgh), we should be praying for forgiveness for having allowed such a situation to develop whereby a lad was forced to kill or be killed. Killing in itself is not and cannot be Christian, regardless of one's attitude toward war. Let us, therefore, not commit the folly of matching our praise to a soldier's prowess! Let us not desecrate our temples! But there is an area where we can honestly praise: their devotion to duty, their spirit of self-sacrifice, their loyalty to the best moral standards that they knew. This will also avoid the danger of praising the pilot and passing by the lad who was on limited service, whose duty may have consisted in lifting sacks of flour or potatoes, but who nonetheless was serving.

These, then, are four planks on which to build out post-war programs in our churches and church affiliated groups: the shunning of sentimentality, the offering of challenge, the emphasis on Christ, and the caution to make all our praise truly Christian. It is most encouraging to know that the church is thinking on these serious matters, for they require the best brains and most devoted hearts that we possess, from the highest of our ecclesiastical courts down to the humblest church fellowship and group, for what a responsibility and a challenge faces us: transforming these men from being soldiers and sailors of the armies and navies into soldiers of the Cross. And with the grace of the Lord Jesus upon us, we walk resolutely forward.

There is a growing body of detailed literature on Post-War Planning that is worthy of research and study. In addition to the many articles in current magazines, Mr. Munro suggests the following:

From Victory to Peace by Paul Hutchinson, published by Willet, Clark & Co.

The Church and Returning Service Personnel—a pamphlet issued jointly by the Federal Council of Churches and the Christian Commission for Camp and Defense Communities. 10c

Information Service—Department of Research and Education, Federal Council of Churches. 5c per copy.

On the Threshold of World Order by Vera Micheles Dean, Foreign Policy Association Headline Series No. 44, 25c.

Foreign Policy Reports — various numbers, great detail and sometimes highly technical. Foreign Policy Association, 22 East 38th St., New York City.

(The W.G.M.S. does *not* have these publications; order direct or through a bookseller).

The Literature Department has a new book related to Post-War Planning, giving the view of British Christians on some of the most pressing problems which the Church is facing: *Into Action* by Rev. A. M. Chirgwin, M.A., D.D., General Secretary of the London Missionary Society. 50c.

Program Suggestions

A Bridge Whereon Travels the Christian Citizen

By MRS. E. D. McKUNE

Make a miniature bridge of heavy cardboard or ply wood, with arched highway between the two sides, so that bridge will stand alone. Label span "Right Living" for Mrs. Fulton's Devotional Service.

For this topic, *The Christian Citizen,* place signboard labeled "Ideals" at left approach to bridge. Leading down from right end of bridge (right from viewpoint of audience) make three paths with signs labeled to fit the three topics:

1. The Christian in Election Year.
2. The Christian and Social Planning.
3. The Christian in Post-War Planning.

Labels may be made as signposts on the paths. Or, for Topic 1, a "ballot box", etc.

Use a doll, or mount on cardboard a magazine picture of a man or woman to represent *Christian Citizen,* standing him, or her, first beside signpost at left. Or, an imaginary *Citizen* may be described as taking banner "Ideals" and carrying it across the Bridge and down each of these "paths" in turn. (Although a drawing could be used, showing bridge, signposts, paths, and citizen, the miniature bridge, easily made, would be most effective and could be used during the months ahead for all Missionary-Bridge Programs).

Leader may find excellent symbolism for introducing this Program by refreshing her mind with the details of Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress,* noting ways in which *Christian* of Bunyan's book may be a prototype of *Christian Citizen,* who, bearing his "ideals" sets out to put them into practical action. Enroute, crossing the Bridge between Ideals and action, he may meet obstacles. In working for the election of honest candidates, for social reform and for post-war ideals he must be vigilant lest he fall into the Slough of Despond, or be captive of Giant Despair in Doubting Castle. He will meet Obstinate, Pliable, Hypocrite, Formality, Mistrust and Flatterer. Talkative will try to convince him that mere words minus action are sufficient. Envy, superstition, and Ignorance will beset his path. In Post-war Planning he may seem to come to "Vanity Fair" where seeking to buy the Truth is difficult in the midst of all the material wares on sale there. Yet the sincere, honest Christian citizen need not fear if he has the inspiration of Evangelist and Interpreter (Holy Spirit) and the companionship of Helpful and Hopeful in bridging the way between Ideals and Action.

The doll or picture representing *Christian Citizen* may be moved down each path in turn as the Leader introduces the person who has been assigned each Topic as found in the articles of this *Magazine.* In introducing Topic 1, quote II Tim. 2:15; Topic 2, by mentioning the fearlessness of Jeremiah as a Social Reformer; Topic 3 by quoting Matt. 6:33.

As supplementary material for Topic, ask your pastor for excellent leaflet, sent for distribution to elders, "Preparing for the Returned Service Man" by Richard Graves.

Suggested Devotinal Service

For Program-Study on "Viewing the Structure—A Study of the Annual Report"

By (Mrs. C. W.) ELSIE WHELING FULTON

August: The Span of Obedience. Prov. 29:18.

(*At center front, place a large Bible. To the left, hang a placard on which is printed: "Expect Great Things From God." To the right, hang a placard on which is printed: "Attempt Great Things For God."*)

Opening Thought: Prov. 29:18.

Responsive Service: (*Selected*)

Leader: "The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want." I shall want rest.

Response: "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures."

L: I shall not want drink.

R: "He leadeth me beside the still waters."

L: I shall not want forgiveness.

R: "He restoreth my soul."

L: I shall not want guidance.

R: "He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

L: I shall not want companionship.

R: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me."

L: I shall not want comfort.

R: "Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me."

L: I shall not want food.

R: "Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies."

L: I shall not want joy.

R: "Thou anointest my head with oil."

L: I shall not want anything.

R: "My cup runneth over."

L: I shall not want anything in this life.

R: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life."

L: I shall not want anything in eternity.

R: "And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever."

Song: Bible Songs Hymnal No. 133.

Scripture Reading:: Luke 8:4-15; 6:45-49; I John 2:3-10; 5:2,3; II John 6; Rev. 22:14.

Prayer: (In unison.) Psalm 119: 33-48.

Leader: In the Book of Ezra we read that, as Ezra journeyed from Babylon to Jerusalem, "the good hand of His God was upon him; for Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord, and to do it." We, too, must prepare our hearts, if we would seek God's Law and obey its precepts.

"The dear Lord's best interpreters
Are humble souls;
The Gospel of a life like His
Is more than books or scrolls."

We must also "practice the presence of God," if we would enjoy the happiness that belongs to God's followers; for "in His presence is fulness of joy."

We build the Span of Obedience to God as we labor daily for Him, one part of this service being the strengthening and enlarging of the structure of the W.G.M.S.

Prayer: Of thanks for past achievements of the W.G.M.S. and of petition for God's blessing on the future of that organization. (See also 1-3, 31 Days in the Prayer Cycle.)

Song: B. S. H. No. 132.

Closing Thought: Ecclesiastes 12:13.

Suggested Devotional Service

For Program-Study on "A Bridge from Ideals to Action—The Christian Citizen"

By (Mrs. C. W.) ELSIE WEHLING FULTON

Sept.: The Span of Right Living. Prov. 20:1.

(Featuring three flags: the flag of the U.S.A.; the Temperance flag; and the Christian flag.)

Opening Song: Bible Songs Hymnal No. 156.

Poem:

"Rejoice, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high,—
The cross of Christ your King.

"Yes, on through life's long path,
Still chanting as ye go;
From youth to age, by night and day,
In gladness and in woe.

"Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As warriors through the darkness toil
Till dawns the golden day."

Scripture Reading: Rom. 13:7-11; 15:1,2; I Cor. 9:24,25; Prov. 20:1; Dan. 1:8-21; I Thess. 5:5-23; II Pet. 1:2-11.

Leader: "The disciples were not losing time when they sat down beside their Master, and held quiet converse with Him under the olives of Bethany or by the shores of Galilee. Those were their school hours; those were their feeding times. The healthiest Christian, the one who is best fitted for godly living and godly labors, is he who feeds most on Christ."

"O Thou who dost the vision send
And gives to each his task,
And with the task sufficient strength,
Show us Thy will, we ask;
Give us a conscience bold and good,
Give us a purpose true,
That it may be our highest joy,
Our Father's work to do."

Prayer: (See 13, 31 Days in Prayer Cycle.)

Leader:

"Forward through the ages,
In unbroken line,
Move the faithful spirits
At the call divine,
Gifts in differing measure,
Hearts of one accord,
Manifold the service,
One the sure reward.

"Wider grows the kingdom,
Reign of love and light;
For it we must labor,
Till our faith is sight.
Prophets have proclaimed it,
Martyrs testified,
Poets sung its glory,
Heroes for it died.

"Not alone we conquer,
Not alone we fall;
In each loss or triumph
Lose or triumph all.
Bound by God's far purpose
In one living whole,
Move we on together
To the shining goal."

Closing Song: B.S.H. No. 85.

Girls' Circle Program

By MRS. JAMES R. LEE, Bellrose, N. Y.

A BRIDGE FROM IDEALS TO ACTION

THE CHRISTIAN CITIZEN

The true Christian Citizen will have a key place and a tremendous responsibility in the post-war world. She represents the ideals of a brotherhood of love for all mankind, understanding for all races and creeds, helpfulness in the material needs of food, shelter and employment for all, care for the happiness of children everywhere. She cannot rest until a permanent bridge of mutual regard and peace is built between nations.

Invitation

Secure from a religious book store or publishing house some gold cross seals. Paste one on each small, white invitation card. Print across the top of the card, "A Bridge from Ideals to Action." Print below:
"Time"; "Place"; etc.

Program

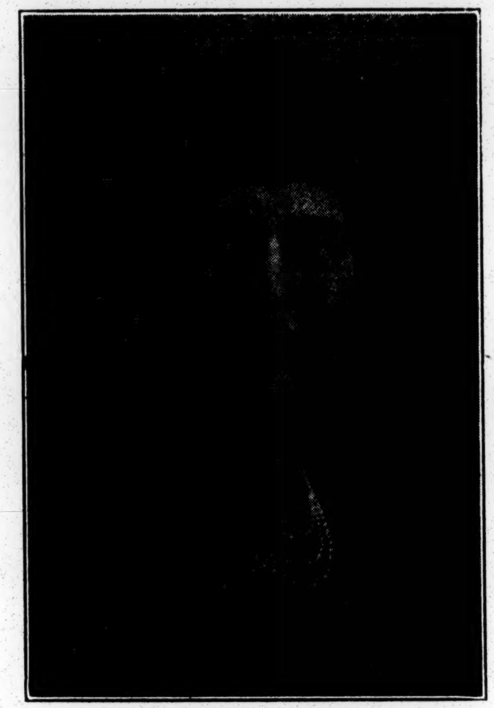
Place two small Christian flags in holders on a table. Place six candles in holders between the flags, five of them the same size, and the sixth larger than the others and set back and at the center. The tall candle in the center is lighted during the meeting to represent "The Brotherhood of Love for All Mankind." Have the group sing one verse of "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations". Light a second candle for "Understanding between Nations". Follow with a solo,—"The Church's One Foundation". Light another candle for "Food and Shelter" and another for "Employment for All", the group singing the second verse of "I Would be True". The fifth candle is lighted for "The Happiness of Children Everywhere" and as it is lighted sing the hymn (or have it played softly) "I Think When I Read that Sweet Story of Old". The last candle represents the Christian Citizen and is to remind each individual of the great responsibility that is hers today that the Christian flag and the pledge of allegiance to it shall not mean formal ideals alone but action as well. Have the group stand and give together the Pledge of Allegiance to the Christian flag or sing the Christian Anthem, "Fairest Lord Jesus". Close the meeting with prayer.

"March we forth in the strength of God,
With the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious gospel of truth
May shine throughout the world;
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin
To set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea."

Arthur A. Ainger,
in "Hymns of the Widening Kingdom", D. Appleton, Century Company.

Mrs. (John A.) Ada Kerr Wilson

A tribute of love and esteem, from the Women's Board of Directors.



Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson became a member of the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society in 1910 and continued faithful in every undertaking until the task grew too heavy for the frail body. She resigned in 1941 thus completing thirty-one years of devoted service. She was called to her Heavenly home June 9, 1944.

She was endowed with many talents that fitted her for service in many positions. She served as Vice President, Recording Secretary, Railroad Secretary, Indian Secretary and Financial Secretary, but her distinctive work was her service for the Negro people—"my people" as she lovingly spoke of the Department that was hers for twenty-four years.

Her love for the colored race permeates the mission stations of the southland and their love for her is embodied in the lives of multitudes who cherish her name in reverence, not only for what she meant to them but to the generation before.

Christ's love and compassion were manifested through her to the girls and boys, women and men who brought their needs to her. May her influence inspire all who loved her to renewed devotion and may her life now closed re-echo to us the spirit of her life as represented in these lines—

"My life is not my own, but Christ's who gave it
And He bestows it upon all the race.
I lose it for His sake and thus I save it;
I hold it close, but only to expand it;
Accept it Lord for others, through Thy grace."

To her daughters we express our love and sympathy.

We thank our Heavenly Father for the years of association with her and pray that we may be as faithful.

Corporation Meeting

Following a devotional service, the Corporation meeting of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America was held in Calvin Hall, Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on June 27, 1944, at 10 A. M., with Mrs. J. D. Sands, President of the Board of Directors, presiding.

Thirty-one delegates were present.

Reports of the Treasurer, the various secretaries and departments of work of the Board of Directors were accepted as presented at the proceding annual Convention held in New Concord, Ohio. (See pages 628-648.)

A composite audit certificate by Main and Company, Accountants and Auditors, covering all departments handling financial accounts, was read and adopted.

Reports of the Womens Missionary Magazine were accepted as presented at the Convention by its Editor and by its Treasurer. The audit certificate by John N. Hepburn, Accountant, accompanying the Treasurer's report, was adopted. (Page 638.)

Two recommendations presented by the committee appointed at the 1943 Convention to cooperate with other church groups to work toward the peace now and after the war, were adopted as a whole. (Page 640.) The Committee on Post-War Planning as appointed by the Convention President consisting of Mrs. J. Ralph Neale, chairman, Mrs. John P. White, and Mrs. Charles Bradley Warren was approved.

The report of the committee appointed at the 1943 Convention to study Recommendation 1 presented at that meeting was read and adopted. (Page 640.) This is equivalent to rejection of Recommendation 1.

An amendment to the By-Laws of the Women's General Missionary Society changing Article III, Section 5 to include the payment of traveling expenses of the Second Vice President to the Convention, having been proposed as Recommendation 7 at the 1943 Convention, was read and adopted by a two-thirds vote. (Page 641.)

The following Committees appointed at the 1944 Convention reported:
The Committee on Place having received an invitation from College Springs Presbyterial and Tarkio College to hold the annual meeting of the W.G.M.S. in Tarkio, Missouri, in 1945, this invitation was accepted heartily.

The report of the Recommendations Committee was accepted as a whole. (Page 641.)

The Credential Committee reported an enrollment of 288 voters at the Convention, all missionaries not having Credentials having been granted full Convention privileges.

No report by the Memorials Committee was possible since it had received no memorials.

After the report of the Nominating Committee, the following officers and Board members were elected:

President—Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery.

First Vice President—Mrs. C. M. Laing.

Second Vice President—Mrs. M. Earle Collins.

Secretary—Mrs. E. D. McKune.

Board of Directors—Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Mrs. J. M. Heagen, Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison, Mrs. Paul M. Haas.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

The meeting adjourned. Mrs. Montgomery offered prayer.

Mrs. J. D. Sands,
President.

Edith L. McBane,
Recording Secretary.

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MISSIONARIES' BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

Miss E. Roxy Martin	August 1
Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger	August 1
Miss Elizabeth McConnell, R.N.	August 1
Miss Ella M. Barnes	August 2
Miss Evelyn McFarland	August 4
Miss Lucia Dwight	August 5
Miss Margaret A. Work	August 6
Miss Eulalia D. Grether	August 8
Miss Vivian L. Trimble	August 12
Miss Mary K. Smith, M.D.	August 17
Miss Helen J. Martin, Ped. D.	August 26
Miss Glendine Lundquist, R.N.	August 28
Miss C. Blanche Soule, R.N.	August 28
Miss Helen M. Walker	August 29
Miss Nellie C. Smith	August 31

MISSIONARIES' BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

Miss Ruth M. Nichol	September 1
Miss Frances Patton	September 3
Miss Emma Dean Anderson	September 5
Miss Theresa Brownlee	September 5
Miss Ruth A. Work	September 5
Mrs. Ruth L. Walker	September 5
Miss Davida Finney	September 8
Mrs. Rachel T. Seiver	September 8
Miss Mary J. Campbell	September 12
Miss Ruth M. Williamson	September 12
Miss Mary L. Thompson, LL.D.	September 14
Mrs. John McMillan	September 17
Miss Elsie Fresch	September 18
Miss Marguerite McClellan	September 18
Miss Lucy Lightowler	September 22
Miss Helen J. Noordewier	September 23
Mrs. Alan Theobald	September 24
Miss Una Coie	September 29

"SO SEND I YOU"

So send I you—to labor unrewarded.
To bear rebuke, to suffer scorn and and scoffing,
So send I you—to toil for Me alone.

So send I you—to bind the bruised and broken,
O'er wandering souls to work, to weep, to wake,
To bear the burdens of a world aweary,
So send I you—to suffer for My sake.

So send I you—to loneliness and longing,
With heart a-hung'ring for the loved and known,
Forsaking home and kindred, friend and dear ones,
So send I you—to know My love alone.
So send I you—to leave your life's ambition,
To die to dear desire, self-will resign,
To labor long and love where men revile you,
So send I you—to lose your life in Mine.

So send I you—to hearts made hard by hatred,
To eyes made blind because they will not see;
To spend, tho' be it blood—to spend, and spare,
So send I you—to taste of Calvary—
So send I you—
Lord, here am I!
Send me!

—*E Margaret Clarkson.*

Tributes

Mrs. Christiana Myers
Miss Ella Montgomery
Mrs. N. E. Lease

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church of Washington, Iowa, wishes to pay tribute to three of its members, who passed to their reward recently—Mrs. Christiana Myers, Miss Ella Montgomery and Mrs. N. E. Lease.

Mrs. Myers, in her cheerful way, expressed her deep interest and met her Christian obligations promptly.

Miss Ella Montgomery and Mrs. N. E. Lease were known throughout the church for their labor in Home Mission fields. Their self-sacrifice and devotion to the truth and their zeal for the cause will ever be an inspiration to all who knew them.

Committee

Miss Mary E. McCarrell

The Women's Missionary Society of the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Hickory, Pennsylvania, wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Miss Mary E. McCarrell, daughter of the Reverend Alexander McCarrell, who was called to her home on November 10, 1943.

We deeply regret her loss, but bow to the will of God, who doeth all things well.

Miss McCarrell was devoted to her church duties, having been a teacher in the Sabbath School and the Treasurer of the Women's Missionary Society for a great many years. Quiet and unassuming in her manner, she was always ready to help with whatever she was asked to do. Her love for God's house and God's day gave proof of her love for her Saviour.

She is missed here, but she is with her Saviour. whom she loved and with the loved ones who have gone before.

We thank God for having known her and pray that we may be able to carry on the work that she loved.

Mrs. Dr. Swartz
Mrs. S. H. Acheson

Mrs. Hugh Thompson

The members of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Cambridge, Mass., pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Hugh (Nee Mary Green) Thompson, who was called to her heavenly home on February 5th, 1944.

Herlife was a lovely example of Christian service; she was faithful in her attendance at church and was sincerely interested in the work of our missionaries.

Her quiet, gentle maner left a lasting impression of that genuine kindliness and inner peace that comes through knowing the Master and following Him. She is greatly missed by all of us and our sympathy is extended to her loved ones. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

Mrs. Arthur Hamilton
Miss Margaret C. MacKinnon

Miss Ella Clark

The Cedar Rapids Presbyterial has been saddened by the passing of one of our most faithful members, Miss Ella J. Clark, who heard the call of her Master's "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

We must plan to carry on without her. We pause to pay tribute to her many years of active service. She always attended our meetings and was our efficient Treasurer for over twenty-six years and probably knew more about the work than any other one.

She kept in close touch and knew many of the missioners at home and abroad. No one will know how many lives have been helped and her labors will bear fruit for years to come as a result of her prayers and liberal offerings.

We can bear witness to her sterling Christian character which was manifest in so many ways—a teacher in the public schools many years, the teacher of the primary class in the S.S. about 40 years, the leader of the Junior Missionary Society for many years, a Life Member of the W.G.M.S., president of the W.C.T.U., treasurer of the Red Cross. Several clubs and worthwhile organizations claimed much of her time. She was named as Traer's outstanding citizen in community betterment.

To her sister and family we extend our sincere sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. Jennie V. Goldsmith

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Mundale, New York. wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Jennie V. Goldsmith, who passed away February 14, 1944.

Mrs. Goldsmith's kind and cheerful disposition and her helpful presence will be greatly missed. Although her going was sudden we are assured of her abundant entrance into the Home above and we seem to hear the Master's voice saying to her, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

May her loved ones have the consolation that Christ alone can give.

Committee

Miss Margaret Reynolds

The Women's Missionary Society of the Biggsville Illinois United Presbyterian Church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Miss Margaret Reynolds who was called to her reward April 9, 1944. Her loss will be deeply felt, not only by our society which she so faithfully served, but by the Sabbath School and church as well.

Miss Reynolds could say with Saint Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

Committee

Miss Mina Wilson

The Women's Missionary Society of the Springfield United Presbyterian Church wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Miss Mina Wilson, who died December 29, 1943 at her home near Mercer, Pennsylvania.

Miss Wilson was a loving, unselfish and cheerful giver of her time and strength to her relatives and friends. Her devotion to duty, her faithfulness in service and her most liberal support of the work of the church should be a challenge to those who knew her.

Miss Wilson had been a Sabbath School teacher for many years, the Secretary of the Missionary Society for thirty-three years and a Life Member of the W. G. M. S.

To her loved ones we extend our sincere sympathy and commend them to the Saviour whom she served.

Mrs. J. M. McConnell
Mrs. M. R. Campbell
Mrs. George Clay

Mrs. Ellen Mary Riford

The Vernon Missionary Society mourns the loss of one of its dear members, Mrs. Ellen Mary Riford, who died after a few weeks' illness.

Mrs. Riford was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Vernon, Wisconsin, and was a liberal contributor to its support. She was loyal in her devotion and was faithful and conscientious in performing any duty whether in her church or in her home. She was a charter member of the Women's Missionary Society and was serving as Treasurer of the Vernon Society at the time of her death, an office she held for many years.

Her passing has saddened the hearts of her large circle of friends who will miss her contagious optimism, cheery greeting and jovial spirit.

Henceforth there is laid up for her a crown of righteousness, which the Lord shall give her on that day, and not to her only but to all them also, who love His appearing.

Mrs. John D. Watson

Mrs. Ned Crider

With a feeling of personal bereavement and sorrow, the Women's. Misisonary Society of the Second United Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, Missouri wishes to pay a tribute of love and respect to the beautiful Christian character and faithful service of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Ned Crider, who was called to her heavenly home February 6, 1944.

Mrs. Crider was active in the work of the church since childhood having become a member early in life. She was active in the Missionary Society and had been the treasurer for twenty years.

Mrs. Crider was our representative in the local Missionary Federation, having served as recording secretary.

We thank God for having had such a one in our fellowship and pray that we may be able to carry on the work she loved.

In their sad bereavement we extend our sincere sympathy to her husband, mother, brother and sister and commend them to the tender compassion of Him who comforteth us in all our affliction.

Mrs. F. R. Singer
Mrs. G. J. Fischler
Mrs. R. M. Boyle

Mrs. J. T. Allen

The Women's Missionary Society of the Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church at Thomas, Pennsylvania wishes to offer this tribute of love and respect to the memory of Mrs. J. T. Allen, who was called to her heavenly home Monday, December 7, 1943.

Mrs. Thomas was keenly interested in the welfare of the church, a faithful attendant at its services. She did willingly her part of all the activities of the congregation and Missionary Society. We shall miss her presence and her loyal service.

To her family we extend our sincere sympathy and commend them to the Saviour whom she loved and served.

"Death is just the passing
To God's sweet world above
Death is just the entering
Into God's eternal love."

Committee

Ella Mentzer Koons

A loyal member of the United Presbyterian church of Kenton, Ohio, was called to her eternal rest on Jan. 11, 1944.

Mrs. Koons' kind and unassuming manner, and Christian character, made her beloved by all. We feel keenly our loss in the passing from our membership of one who was always ready to serve willingly and cheerfully in the work of her Lord and Master.

To the sorrowing family we extend prayerful and tender sympathy and commend them to the Saviour she loved and served.

(Signed) Committee

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A LITTLE TIME APART

Prayer of a Friend

I saw your eyes fill with tears today,

You who were always so gay.

You turned away that I might not see;

I wondered why you should weep.

So I shall pray for you tonight,

Not knowing what burden you bear,

Only remembering you wept today,

You who were always so gay.

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